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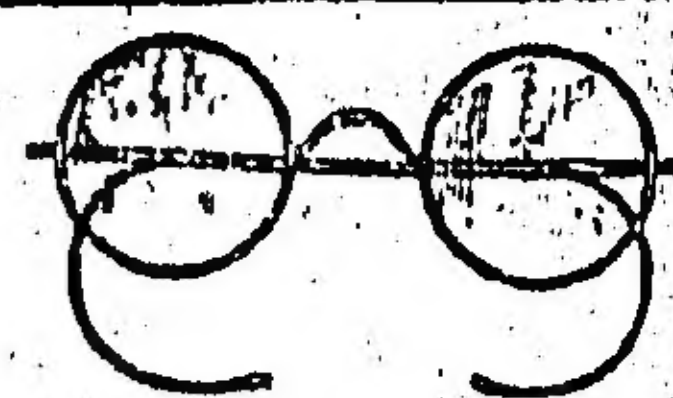
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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day.

(April 18.)

Athletics.—St. Joseph's College
Meeting (Caroline Hill), noon.

Football.—Sunday Herald Cup
Final, Scotland v. China (Club
ground).

Racing.—Third Extra Race Meet-
ing (Happy Valley).

Queen's Theatre: "Strictly Un-
conventional."

World Theatre: "Last Perform-
ance" and "Hold Your Man."

Central Theatre: "The Laughing
Lady."

King's Theatre: "Animal Crack-
ers."

Majestic Theatre: "The Great
Gallop."

China Circus, Praya East Re-
clamation, 8 p.m.

Dances: Tea Dances, H.K. and
Peninsula Hotels; Dinner Dances,
Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.

European Mail:—Outward:
Europe via Siberia (President
Jackson), 5 p.m.

Sunday.

(April 19.)

2nd After Easter.

First Day of the Dulheggia.

Union Church 88th anniversary.

Special Services, 11 a.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Whoopie."

World Theatre: "Repaid
Favour" (Chinese film).

Central Theatre: "The Devils
Holiday."

Majestic Theatre: "The Great
Gallop."

China Circus, Praya East Re-
clamation, 8 p.m.

Dances: Tea Dance, Repulse Bay
Hotel; Dinner Dance, Hotel Cecil.

Monday.

(April 20.)

Helena May Institute "At
Home," 4.30 p.m.

P.W.D. Auction of Crown Land,
5 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Whoopie."

World Theatre: "Repaid Favour"
(Chinese film).

Central Theatre: "The Laughing
Lady."

China Circus, Praya East Re-
clamation, 8 p.m.

FRENCH RAILWAY ACROSS AFRICA.

FROM ORAN TO THE NIGER.

TO CROSS LANDS OF FOUR NATIONS?

Paris.—Despite talk of trade de-
pression, France is conspicuous in
its efforts to expand its fields of
commercial enterprise. In the same
week that Lyons opens a greatly
enlarged version of its world-famous
annual fair, interest is directed to
new discussions on the proposed
Trans-Saharan Railway.
This long-debated enterprise is
beginning to be seen in its larger
aspect as a single section in a great
Trans-African rail route from
Morocco to the Cape, in which not
only France, but Great Britain,
Belgium and possibly Italy may
co-operate.
The French Government has in-
vited the other countries named to
appoint delegates to elaborate a
plan of international co-operation
for giving the African continent a
backbone of steel extending through
French territory from Algeria
across the Sahara Desert to the
Niger, through British territory in
Nigeria, through French territory
in the Cameroons and Equatorial
Africa, then through Belgian ter-
ritory in the Congo, and finally into
British territory in Uganda, Kenya
and Tanganyika. From there it
would be linked with Cape Town.
A Trans-Saharan railway has
been talked of for almost a century.
This year marks the fiftieth anni-
versary of the disastrous end which
came to an expedition led by
Colonel Flatters in 1880 and 1881
for the purpose of making one of
the numerous preliminary surveys
for the proposed line. The expedi-
tion was almost completely de-
stroyed by a combination of factors,
the most important being the lack of
light during 1928 and 1929, but little
has been heard of it for a year or
more. It is now being brought
again into prominence.

An Italian Project.

One reason for the recrudescence
of this scheme is the competition
between France and Italy with re-
gard to African colonization. Italy
has a counter-project for a Trans-
Saharan railroad which would ex-
tend from Tripoli to Lake Chad,
and which might be linked up with
the British "right of way," ex-
tending along the eastern side of
Africa from Egypt to the Cape.
The knowledge that Italy has such
a plan even though it may be less
practicable, is nevertheless sufficient
to expedite French preparations.
Italy will be invited to deliberate
in the international committee which
will seek to bring the railway lines
of all the African territories con-
cerned into a common system for
their mutual advantage.

Begin at Oran.

The route chosen for the French
Trans-Saharan extends from the
port of Oran in Algeria, which is
already connected with the port
of Algiers by rail, southward to
Colombo-Béchar and thence straight
across the Sahara to In-Tassit, 60
miles north of the great bend of
the Niger River. From this point
a branch would run eastward to
Nimney and another west through
Timbuctu to Segou. From Segou, the
road could eventually be linked up
with existing French airways in
Senegal, the French Sudan, French
Guinea and the Ivory Coast. The
eastern branch, from In-Tassit to
Nimney, would be joined up with
French lines extending northward
from the Gulf of Guinea through
Dahomey. It might eventually be
linked with British railways in
Nigeria, and the logical procedure,
if the Trans-Saharan is to become
a section of a great Trans-African,
would be to carry the road on
through French Equatorial Africa
and the Belgian Congo to British
East Africa.

Finance.

Four missions which were sent to
Africa in 1928 by André Tardieu,
then Minister of Public Works, re-
ported that the route from Oran to
the Niger was the best which could
be chosen. A special committee to
which their findings were submitted
recommended that the project be
carried out by forming a syndicate
in which the shares would be
controlled by the Governments of
Algeria, Morocco and French West
Africa, and the leading French and
North African railway companies.
The cost of construction is estimat-
ed at 3,000,000,000 francs and the
time required to complete the enter-
prise is estimated at eight years.
The railroad would be more than
1,000 miles in length.

The chief economic advantage of
the proposed road would be that it
would open up the interior of
French West Africa to development
and trade. It now takes about nine
days to go around by ship from
Algiers to Dakar (Senegal) and an-
other 10 days or two weeks to go
on by rail, road and river to the
great bend of the Niger. The
Trans-Saharan would cut this to
about 50 hours, and bring the heart
of the French Sudan within five
days of Paris.

Military Aspect.

Another consideration which has
weight in France is a strategic one.
Such a railroad would permit the
rapid transport of troops from West
Africa to North Africa or France in
case of need. In 1923, the Superior
Council of National Defence, the
highest French authority in military
and naval matters, declared itself
in favour of constructing the road
for this reason.—Christian Science
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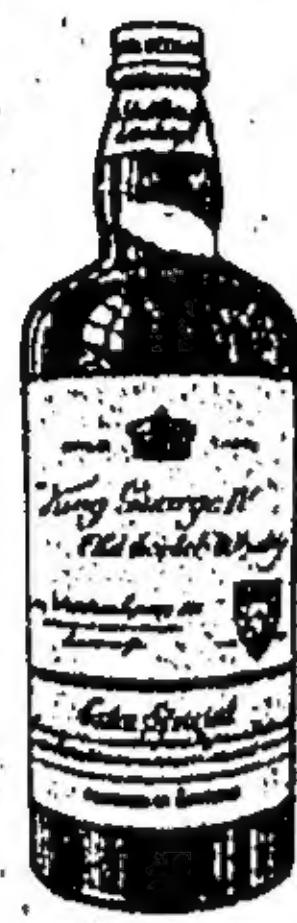
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WORK OF THE PAST YEAR REVIEWED.

The Fifteenth Annual Report of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research contains an abundance and variety of interesting and instructive information. The year that it covers, ended on July 31 last, gave rise to no discovery that seemed to be of epoch-making importance, but showed evidence of steady increase in the volume of work done and of progress in almost every direction. The net outgoings of the Department, which in the previous year were well under £500,000 sterling, were in the year under notice some 10 per cent. higher, and it does not seem without significance that this substantial increase was accompanied by a fall of over 7½ per cent. in the cost of headquarters' administration and miscellaneous expenditure, which was just over 5 per cent. on the turnover. Besides the formal report of the Committee of the Privy Council, which constitutes the Department, the report of its Advisory Council is appended, reviewing the outstanding features of the work done and the measures taken during the year, and there is a summary of the work of its several research organizations, with short accounts of the progress of the 20 research associations at present affiliated to it.

The administrative chairman of the Advisory Council, Sir William McCormick, who had held that position from the inception of the Department, died during the year. The Council's report bears witness to the value of his work, by which, in close association with Sir Frank Heath, the Department's first secretary, the difficulties of the formative period were worn down and overcome. The present chairman is Lord Rutherford, and his appointment, coming after that of Sir Frank Smith as secretary, marks the close connexion of the personnel of the Department with the Royal Society and with advanced experimental research.

Research Associations.

The fact that the Department's chief administrative positions are now filled by men eminent in scientific research does not mean, however, that its objective has become less practical. If any doubt were felt on this point it would be set at rest by reading the account now given of the present policy in regard to research associations. The principle on which the Department investigated the formation of these bodies was that the aid of the State should be temporary, leaving each association so to organize its affairs that when its grant came to an end it would be able to carry on independently. This remains the objective of the Department; but in most industries the time required for organizing a research association, defining its programme, and recruiting its staff has turned out to be longer than had been expected, and the economic depression of recent years has made it difficult to secure the necessary increase of funds. The desirability of renewing the grants to most of these associations for a further term of years has thus become evident, and it is now announced that the Government has agreed to ask Parliament for the funds that ultimately will become necessary for the purpose. The basis on which the further grants will be made varies with the circumstances of each industry, and where practicable, as with the Electrical Research Association, the basic figure of income to be provided by the association itself will be increased continually, so that ultimately it will amount to enough for the association's needs without any State help.

Among other measures under discussion for assuring the financial stability of research associations has been the institution of a levy over a whole industry, which might be made statutory when it is desired by a sufficiently large majority of firms in the industry. Whether such a levy is based on the raw material used by each firm, as in rubber and wool, or on the other unit, there is evidently much to be done before all firms in an industry can be brought into line. An example of a scheme for such a levy, which has gone a considerable length in spite of its having required the cooperation of no fewer than 10 trade federations connected with different sections of the industry, is found in the wool-len and worsted industries. With the exception of certain wool buyers, who are not contributing to the scheme, a voluntary levy is imposed of 2d. per bale on all imported wool, mohair, &c., retained for home consumption, and a contribution will be made of 4d. per operative engaged in the processing sections. With the assistance of the wool from the Dominions the levy will be collected as part of the freight charges at the port of entry.

Fuel and Food Research.

The development to the commercial stage of several large plants for low-temperature carbonization permitted the Fuel Research Station to give the subject a lower degree of priority in its experimental work, and enabled a variety of questions to be defined on which further research was needed. As the result of conferences convened by the Department the Low Temperature Coal Distillers' Association of Great Britain was formed. The products, notably the tars, obtained by low-temperature processes are being studied both at the Station and at the Department's Chemical Research Laboratory, and experiments are in progress at the Station on cast-iron retorts for externally heated processes, by which it is hoped to reduce the expense caused by their deterioration, the results of which had a serious effect on the working of the plant at the Richmond gas works. Small-scale experiments have been pursued on the hydrogenation process and its application. These have led to a large number of laboratory results pointing to technical possibilities which, it is to be hoped, may be realized in the developments on a commercial scale that are being pursued by Imperial Chemical Industries. The physics and practice of the combustion of pulverized fuel are being studied experimentally, and burners and furnaces have been constructed with the object of ascertaining to what extent the large combustion chambers hitherto found necessary can be reduced in size.

The Food Investigation Board has completed the extension of its Low Temperature Research Station at Cambridge, and begun work on fish at the Torry Research Station at Aberdeen, and on fruit at the East Malling Station. Results obtained in laboratory investigations are already being applied tentatively in commercial practice. The successful study made some years ago of the conditions of transporting fruit from Australia was followed in September, 1929, by a similar mission under the leadership of Dr. Ezer Griffiths, in which officers of the Research Departments of the New Zealand and Australian Governments cooperated to study the transport of frozen mutton and lamb from the New Zealand abattoir to the wholesale market in London.

Building and Wireless.

Generally the work of the Department's research stations appears to be appreciated increasingly by the industries to which they refer. A particular example of this gratifying tendency is seen in the record of the Building Research Station at Watford, which not only attracted a still larger number of inquiries for advice than in previous years, but also received a further contribution of £500 from the National Federation of Building Trades Employers towards its general work. An important event during the year was the formulation of the programme for the work of the Steel Structures Research Committee, which proposes, with the assistance of local authorities and professional and technical organizations for the design of steel-framed buildings and to suggest rules based on up-to-date technical knowledge. A second and larger ship model experimental tank has been put in hand to enable the National Physical Laboratory to cope with the grave congestion in the demand for tests as well as to pursue necessary research. The range of applications of the Forest Products Research Laboratory continues to increase, and in particular it has been able to be of essential service to the Australian Research Department.

A notable feature in the record of the Radio Research Board has been the appointment of the Assistant Engineer-in-Chief of the Post Office, Lieutenant-Colonel A. G. Lee, to be chairman of the board on the lamented death of Admiral of the Fleet Sir Henry Jackson. This appointment has led to more intimate cooperation between the Post Office and the Department's radio research organization. The board is also undertaking investigations and developments on behalf of the British Broadcasting Corporation and the Air Ministry, and is maintaining close cooperative relations with radio research boards now formed in Australia and New Zealand. Among other subjects in which further progress has been made is research into water pollution and atmospheric pollution, geophysical methods of survey, and fabrics, for the last of which a supplementary fabrics research committee has been appointed to advise on problems of general interest and carry out any necessary research.

Scientific Grants.

Among the studies that have been assisted by grants from the Department is that of very low temperatures at the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, for the production of which a liquid hydrogen plant of new design has been constructed under the direction of Dr. Kapitza, with a capacity of two litres an hour, or much more if necessary. At the Royal Institution, under the direction of Sir William Bragg, new methods have been devised for measuring the intensity of X-rays and for generating X-rays of very high intensity, and encouraging results have been obtained from their application. Professor Bone's researches on gaseous reactions at high pressures have extended to the explosion of mixtures of air with hydrogen, carbonic oxide and other gases at initial pressures up to 500 atmospheres, catalytic reactions at high pressures, and the flow of gases through copper and steel pipes of small diameter under pressures up to 400 atmospheres. The isotherms of various individual gases and of their binary mixtures at 0 deg. C. and 50 deg. C. have also been determined at pressures up to 1,000 atmospheres.

In the course of the administration of grants to individuals for training and special researches, which are among the measures taken by the Department with the object of recruiting the supply of research workers in special fields, it has been found that relatively

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One of the most outstanding discoveries—far reaching in its effect upon the building industries of the whole world—was the successful incorporation of asbestos with cement to form a strong, durable and almost indestructible roofing material. The peculiar properties of asbestos, its almost everlasting nature, great tensile strength, resistance to the ravages of climate and its fireproof qualities are in this way employed to the fullest advantage.

Amongst manufacturers of asbestos-cement goods of all descriptions, none have done more to further the progress of the industry than the firms comprising the organization of which Asbestos Cement Building Products, Ltd., is the sales and distributing company; these comprise Bell's Polite and Everite Co., Ltd., British Fibrocement Works, Ltd., and Turners Asbestos Cement, Ltd. The asbestos, employed in manufacture is obtained from no less than ten mines in South Africa belonging to associated companies, and they include the largest in South Africa. Operations are carried out on a large scale, providing ample supplies of the finest asbestos in the world. The actual manufacture of asbestos-cement is performed at Trafford Park, Manchester, Widnes, and Erith, and British labour is employed throughout.

In the preparation of asbestos for the manufacture of building products of this nature, it is necessary first of all to crush the raw fibre so that full advantage may be taken in later processes of the fine silk-like texture of the resultant fibres. In combination with cement, these millions of threads of asbestos provide an intricate and closely interlocked structure of great tensile strength and high insulating qualities upon which depend to so large an extent the durability and service of the finished product. Meticulous care in manufacture and rigid inspection of the finished article are paid throughout and research chemists are constantly at work with a view to effecting any possible improvement.

Apart from the ten asbestos mines already referred to, Asbestos Cement Building Products, Ltd., and the companies with which it is associated, own sixteen works, and employ over 15,000 people. These figures give some little indication of the importance of this progressive branch of industry.

few applications are received from engineering students, and that there is a real dearth of applicants for appointments as metallurgists and metallurgical research workers in industry and in the Government service. Measures have been taken to relax the requirements of previous experience of scientific investigation in respect of young engineers who have had works experience and to waive the stipulation that an applicant must intend to take up a career involving scientific research if he intends ultimately to be employed in a career involving applied science, such as engineering or industrial chemistry. The council is satisfied that the present demand for metallurgists is not exceptional and is not likely to decrease in the near future.

CENTENARY OF SYMINGTON.

GENIUS WHO DIED IN POVERTY.

The centenary of the death of William Symington, the Father of Marine Engineering took place last month.

Symington, like so many of those who have changed the face of the world, was of obscure origin, being the son of a miller who took charge of the machinery at Warrickhead Colliery. He was born at Leuch-hills in October, 1763, and was intended for the ministry, but his inclination led him to take up civil engineering.

In 1786 he designed, with his brother, a working model of a steam road carriage. Patrick Miller approached him to adapt his steam engine to the propulsion of Miller's paddle-boat, which was propelled by hand.

This first trial was so successful that Symington designed a larger engine, which achieved a speed of seven knots. Owing to a lack of faith in Miller and a lack of encouragement from James Watt, this boat was dismantled.

In 1801 Lord Dundas, Governor of the Clyde and Forth Canal Company, determined to try steam traction on the canal and employed Symington to carry out experiments.

Symington, realising that his earlier engine was quite unsuitable for the purpose, decided to employ a piston rod guided by rollers in a straight path, connected by a rod to a crank attached directly to the paddle-wheel shaft, thus devising the system which has been used ever since that day.

Like many other inspired inventors, Symington died in abject poverty, on March 22, 1831, and was buried in St. Botolph in Aldgate.

NEW LAWN MOWERS FOR 1931.

MESSRS. RANSOMES' CATALOGUE.

A catalogue of general interest which has recently been published is that of Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, Ltd., dealing with their lawn mowers. To their already wide range Messrs. Ransomes have this year added two further machines, the "Leo" and a motor mower 14 ins. wide.

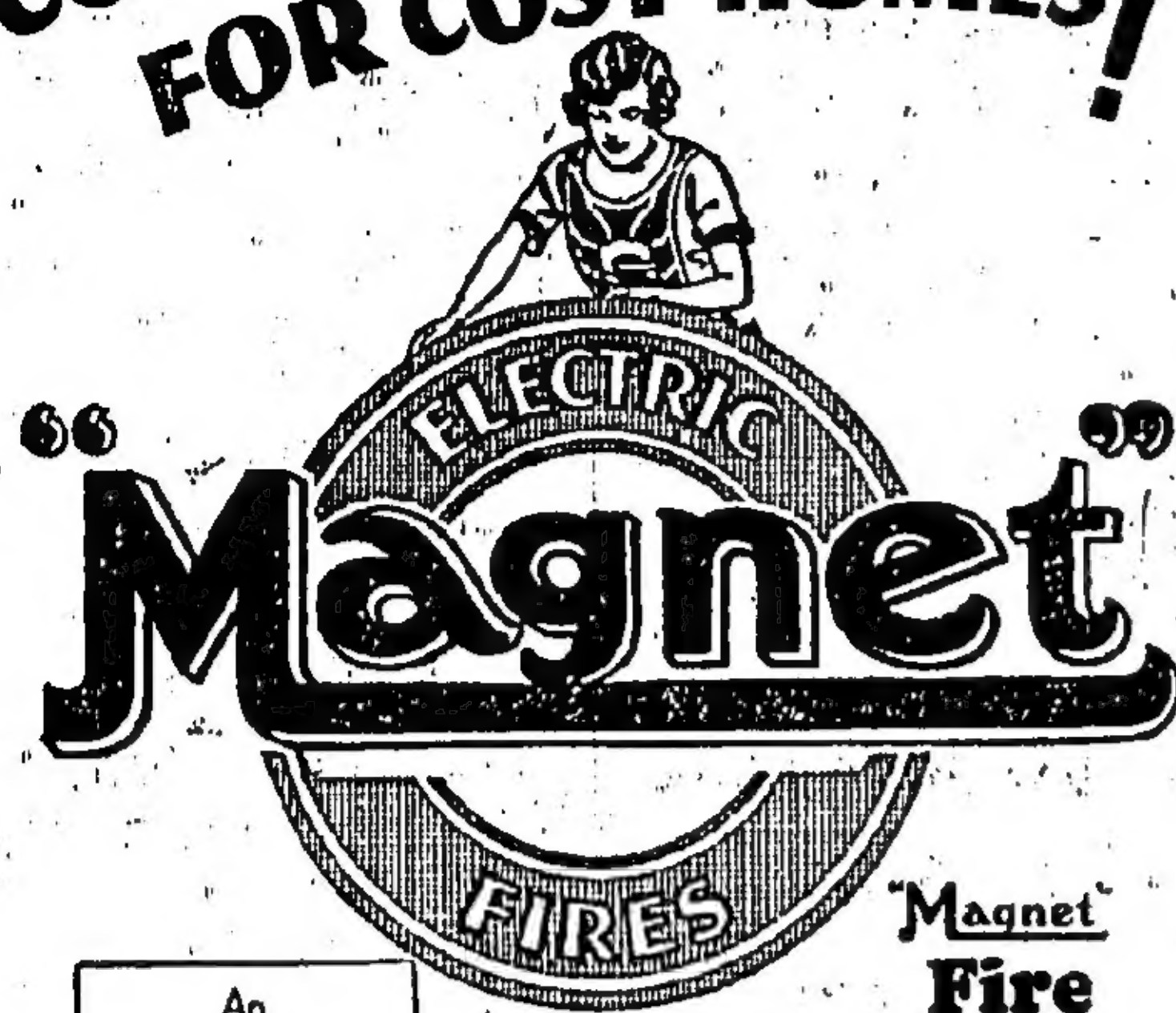
The former is a light side-wheel pattern mower suitable for the ordinary garden, a special feature being that although ball bearings are fitted, the price is low. The high driving wheels are fitted with over-tyres to prevent dirt and grass cuttings from entering the bearings, and the cutting cylinder has six knives. These have cutting edges of hardened steel riveted on to tough wrought backs, a form of construction which experience has proved to give the longest possible service.

The 14-in. motor mower has been brought out for lawns of about half an acre, and is fitted with a 2-horse engine of ample power. A unique feature is that the cutting cylinder, bottom blade and bottom block form one unit which can be easily removed for grinding or re-setting. A special front guard protects the engine from dirt and cut grass and self-aligning dust-proof ball bearings are fitted to the cutting cylinder and hand rolls.

Other machines shown in the catalogue include various sizes of motor lawn mowers, both petrol and electric, Messrs. Ransomes' well-known "Triple," "Quintuple" and "Septuple" mowers for golf courses and other large areas requiring frequent cutting, and numerous types of hand lawn mowers, both roller and side-wheel patterns.

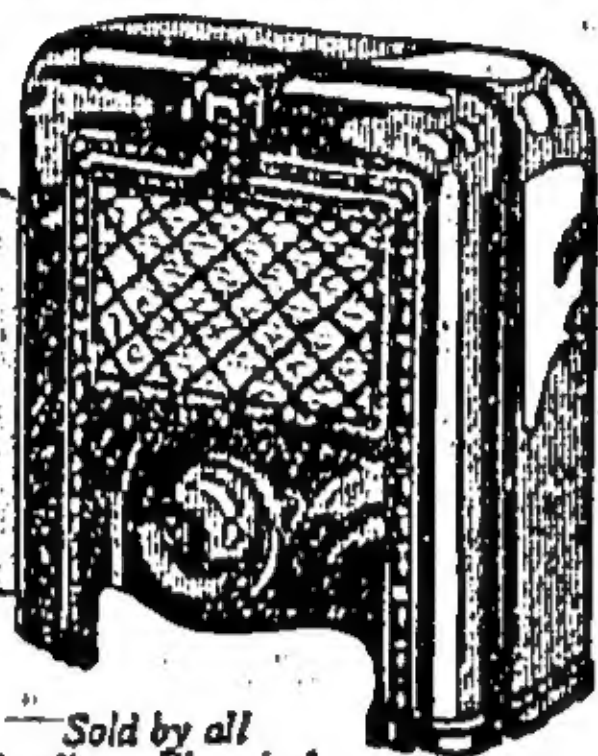
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The Siam Post and Telegraph Department is contemplating a new network of underground cables for the Bangkok telephone service to replace the existing overhead system, and it is intended to supersede the normal exchanges by modern automatic exchange.

The establishment in Japan of a new power company, the Kwangai Kyodo Karyoku K.K., has been decided upon. It is expected that three 35,000-kw. generating sets will be required initially.

Preliminary investigations have been completed with regard to the scheme for the development of the Chosin River in Korea. A concession for the development of 20,000 kw. has been granted, but the initial project is for only 100,000 kw.

Figures That Count.

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An Interesting Arrangement.

An arrangement has been made between Edgar Allen & Co., Ltd., Imperial Steel Works, Sheffield, and the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, U.S.A., under which the former will manufacture at Sheffield and sell in certain parts of the British Empire and Asia, various types of Allis-Chalmers crushing and grinding machinery.

BRIDGING THE EUPHRATES.

The Swedish-Danish group which secured, in 1927, the concession for the construction of two great bridges, over the River Euphrates, near Malatia, have nearly completed the work. One of these bridges will carry across the river the new railway line from Malatia to Diarbakir, and consists of four main arches of 175 ft. span in reinforced concrete, with a total length, including approaches, of about 1,000 ft. This line is really of a strategic nature, and should be very useful for the movement of troops in the event of renewed trouble with the Kurds in this district. One of the directors, has stated that the Turkish Government were anxious to have this bridge completed at the earliest possible moment, and it is fully expected that it will be opened for traffic in the course of next year. The estimated cost is £100,000 (sterling). The other bridge, which is being constructed about 15 miles further down the river, which at this point is narrower and deeper, is intended for ordinary wheeled and pedestrian traffic. It consists of one single arch in reinforced concrete of 350 ft. span.

SINGAPORE PUBLIC WORKS.

Various plans to entirely re-build Empress Place, Singapore, have been placed on view in the Legislative Council Chamber. Most of them provide for a big open space on the site occupied by the Victoria Theatre and Memorial Hall, surrounded by buildings, which will accommodate the Law Courts, Government Buildings, a theatre and town hall. In connection with the scheme there is a proposal to re-build Raffles Institution, providing the finest school in Malaya, and also to improve the foreshore, including a considerable amount of reclamation.

A few of the new P.W.D. works in Singapore and the approximate costs are as follows:—New Government offices in Government House grounds, \$3,250,000, or new Government offices in Empress Place,

\$2,500,000; new Law Courts, \$2,500,000; new Memorial Hall, \$103,000; new Cavenagh Bridge, \$350,000; new Victoria Theatre, \$600,000; new Raffles Institution, \$1,350,000.

If the new Law Courts were built in the centre of the square alone they would cost about \$3,250,000, which would bring the total cost of the project up to \$10,000,000. In all cases it is provided that there shall be four courts. The new Government Printing Office, as is known, are at present being built in Serangoon-road.

**AMBITIOUS WORK
SCHEMES.****FOR THE NORTH OF
ENGLAND.**

Government plans in Great Britain are being pushed forward to find work for the unemployed, and many private concerns are developing new extension schemes. Contracts to the value of two million pounds in connection with a ten million pound North-East England electrical development scheme have been placed on Tyneside. The Government is supporting this work and firms which have been idle for some time are again active, and thousands of men who have been out of work are now assured of regular employment for two or three years. Plans are made for electrical development covering an area of 5,040 square miles, embracing the whole of Northumberland, Durham, and the North of Yorkshire.

With Government assistance a great water supply undertaking has been begun in the Pennines, and the result will be the construction of the largest reservoir in Lancashire. This new reservoir will yield two and a half million gallons a day, and will increase the Rochdale district's supply of water by fifty per cent. Here again a large body of men who have been unemployed for some time will be engaged and prosperity will be brought to a neighbourhood which has suffered for years from trade depression. Another big Lancashire project is the building of a new road from Liverpool to Manchester. This will also have Government support. The work will involve the expenditure of three million pounds; the total length of the road will be twenty-six miles; thirty-three new bridges will have to be built; and thousands of men will be rescued from the slough of unemployment and found work on the job.

**NEW MACHINE
RIFLE.****COMBINED "VICKERS"
AND "LEWIS."****TESTS TO BE MADE.**

Important developments and scientific experiments are taking place at the Small Arms School (Machine Gun Wing), Netheravon. It is quite possible that within a comparatively early date a considerable change will take place in the equipment of Infantry battalions which, without reducing their fire power, will add simplicity to their weapon equipment by replacing the Vickers and the Lewis guns by machine rifles.

To-day the Infantry Battalion Commander, in the tactical handling of his unit, has to consider how to make the best use of not fewer than seven instruments of destruction—the Vickers machine gun, the Lewis gun (light automatic), rifle, bayonet, automatic, light mortar, and anti-tank gun. Smoke, too, has to play its part.

The machine gun (Vickers) is the principal arm of the Infantry soldier—the "weapon of opportunity." It is the most satisfactory

of the trio of automatic machines which have received so much attention since the European War. The Hotchkiss (the Cavalry light automatic) has gone; the Lewis (the Infantry light automatic)—is going, and now the Vickers machine gun is threatened.

During this year's training two selected "rifle machine guns"—the Vicker-Berthier (a British gun) and the Madsen (of Danish manufacture)—are to be tested with a view to finding a weapon which will answer the purpose of both the Vickers machine gun and the Lewis automatic.

Reliability.

The Vickers-Berthier machine rifle is manufactured by Messrs. Vickers and is similar in design to the Danish rifle. There are, however, differences in construction, and it needs the trained eye and hand of the Vickers expert to handle their value. It is claimed for the gas-operated, automatic weapon of British manufacture that for simplicity, reliability, accuracy and lightness, it shows a considerable advance on the Lewis gun and might with advantage replace the Vickers machine gun, while it has the same standard of accuracy as the British Service rifle.

The mechanism consists of two main pieces—breach-block and piston. The barrel can be changed during firing with an interval of from six to eight seconds between shots.

The magazine, which holds 20 rounds, can be changed in two seconds. Through the manipulation of a lever near the trigger the rifle can be used either as an automatic weapon or for independent firing. Used as a single-shot rifle, 90 aimed shots can be fired in one minute.

Light-Weight.

As to weight, the Vickers-Berthier, with two-legged rest (a tripod is also available as with the Vickers gun), does not exceed 20 lbs., as compared with approximately 24 lbs. of the Lewis and 41 lbs. (with water in casing) of the Vickers machine gun. The mounting increases the weight of the Vickers by about 42 lbs. The rate of fire of the Vickers-Berthier is 450 rounds per minute, as against 600 rounds per minute of the Vickers.

If the experts decide in favour of the substitution of the rifle machine gun for the Vickers and the Lewis, it is not unlikely that the new weapon will reduce the present proportion of rifles in a battalion. The existing organisation of a battalion of Infantry comprises a headquarters wing, one machine gun company, and three rifle companies. The headquarters wing is to have four anti-tank weapons, together with two Lewis machine guns for anti-aircraft defence. Each rifle company has eight Lewis guns. There are 12 Vickers machine guns to each battalion, which, on mobilisation, would be raised to 16.

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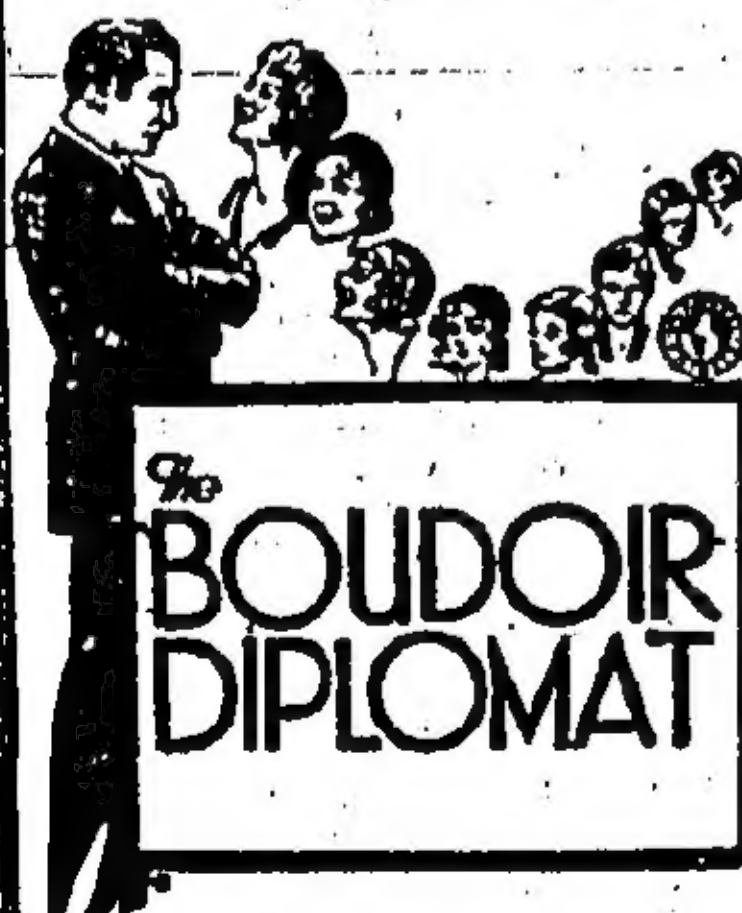
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HER LOVE DISAPPOINTMENT
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The riddle of the death of Kath-
leen Margaret Doland, a 31-year-old
Southport shop assistant, who died
in a house at Diarceli Road, Put-
ney, S.W., was not solved at the
inquest at Battersea.

At this, the third, hearing, the
jury returned an open verdict.

The mother has said that her
daughter went to South America
with the intention of getting mar-
ried. When she arrived there she
discovered that the man was al-
ready married. She came back
distracted.

Dr. Bronte, the pathologist, told
the coroner that the woman's death
was due to outside interference.

To-day Frederick Jones, a porter
at a Southport hotel, said that he
met Miss Doland after she came
back from South America last
November. He had not known her
before.

She told him she was coming to
London for a week to see some
friends. He understood that she
would return home the next day,
and he arranged to meet her.

She wrote him several letters
from Putney, and he wrote her a
few in reply.

He declared that he knew nothing
about her condition, and the letters
between them throw no light what-
ever on the tragedy. "I had not
the slightest suspicion that any-
thing was wrong," he added.

The coroner mentioned that in
her diary Miss Doland had written
on March 6, "A letter from Fred."
He asked Jones if he knew her
object in coming to London.

Jones: To see friends.

The coroner said that on March
4 there was the entry, "Up at
twelve o'clock. Had breakfast in
bed. Very cold. Wrote to Fred.
Went to Fulham—everything O.K."
Jones said that he could not ex-
plain that entry.

"Very Suspicious."

Mrs. Eva Hamm, daughter of the
landlady of the house in Diarceli
Road, said that she was living
apart from her husband, a chemist's
assistant. She had never seen Miss
Doland before until she came to the
house for a room. Miss Doland
on business, and she thought the
woman was looking for a post.

She and Miss Doland went to
Walham Green on a bus. They
did not visit anyone. She could
not explain an entry in Miss
Doland's diary on March 6 which,
the coroner said, read, "Letter
from Fred. Told Mrs. Hamm every-
thing. She has told me of some
one to do the trick. I am glad.
Went to Fulham with her. She
had supper with me and we came
back. Feeling better already."

Mrs. Hamm said that the entry
was very suspicious, but she had
nothing to do with the writing of it.

The Coroner: Did you tell her
she could go out and see some one?
You are on your oath, you know.
You say you did not tell her?—No,
sir.

You cannot explain that entry?—

No.
Mrs. Hamm said that after pur-
chasing some food for supper they
went home. It had been their in-
tention to go to the pictures, but
it was too cold.

Ten minutes before she died Miss
Doland asked for a teapot and a
cup and saucer. She was sitting in
front of the fire and did not seem
ill. Suddenly she jumped up and
said: "Oh, I feel funny."

Thinking she felt faint, Mrs.
Hamm said she helped her on the
bed. Miss Doland did not speak.

The Coroner: You heard Dr.
Bronte say she died as the result
of the use of an instrument. Can
you throw any light on that at all?

—No.

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Dr. Bronte, recalled, said that
the woman's death at 9.50 p.m.
might have resulted from inter-
ference some hours previously, but it
was very unlikely to be 24 hours.

The coroner told the jury that
there had been some discrepancies
in the evidence. There was a de-
finite statement in the diary that,
if this was a criminal trial, would
not be considered legal evidence.
There was the entry "I told Mrs.
Hamm everything," but Mrs. Hamm
said she knew nothing of it.

The entries in the diary left no
doubt that the woman was going
to find someone to terminate her
condition, but there was not suffi-
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any individual.

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and aroused more curiosity than
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The family had lived with the
single object of keeping their im-
mense fortune intact, and now that
the last one has gone their millions
will probably be split up among
charities.

For many years the six sisters
lived as virtual prisoners of their
cruelly tyrannical older brother
John, who forbade them to
marry or to leave his sight.

Brother's Edicts.

He ordered that to the end of
their lives they must:

Wear the trailing skirts and
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Not alter the early Victorian
furniture or appointments of the
house;

Not install a telephone or elec-
tric light or other new-fangled de-
vices;

Never encourage friendship;
Enjoy no change except a sum-
mer visit to his country house.

Two of them rebelled, but one
returned penitently, the second
marrying a professor and dying
last year at the age of 87. The
others sacrificed themselves to the
brother's obsession and even after
his death, 16 years ago, religiously
followed his stern edicts, which
resembled those in the play, "The
Barretts of Wimpole Street."

Too Late to Discover Life.

Two of them became mentally un-
balanced as result of this repressed
existence, and Ella, in her last
lonely years, conducted the house
as though her brother and sisters
were still living their beds being
made each day.

As death closed about her she
began to yearn for all she had mis-
sed in life, and a fortnight ago she
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songs, "Dolphine" and "One
Kiss," will be heard as incidental
music in the picture.

Schertzinger's favourite instru-
ment is the violin but he is equally
at home at a piano. Between
scenes at the Paramount Long
Island studio, where this all-talk-
ing picture was filmed, he fre-
quently seated himself at the piano and
aided in arranging orchestrations
for the musicians.

Among Schertzinger's better
known compositions are "Mar-
cheta," "Just an Old Love Song"
and many picture hit songs, in-
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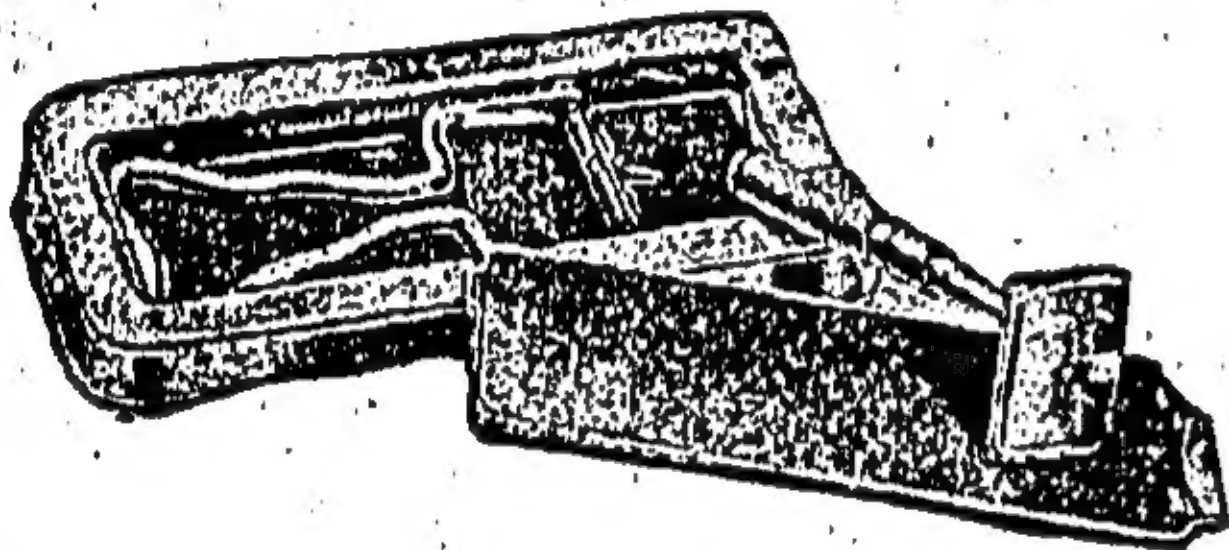
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UNION CHURCH AT HOME.

BISHOP'S TRIBUTE TO REV. JOHNSTON.

The Union Church, Kowloon, held an open house last night in their Church.

The male choir opened the meeting with several hymns which were followed by a short address by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Victoria.

The Bishop said:—Mr. Johnston, Ladies and Gentlemen,—No-one can know Kowloon without being impressed with the great developments that are taking place.

Looking back over ten years, Kowloon is, without question, a very different place to what it was then. I used to regard going out to the Victoria Home as a run into the country, and I remember, on more than one occasion, a little vernacular day school we had on the way there being robbed because it was so isolated.

We may not foretell the future, but if the present rate of development is maintained, Kowloon will again be a very different place in ten years time. I believe in Hong Kong. Sir Paul Chater more than once said to me, "He meant, of course, the whole Colony; he believed that the developments which are taking place would be maintained. I have often thought of the splendid faith of the early pioneers out here—and as one living in what I suppose is probably the oldest house in the Colony, I am constantly reminded more especially of Vincent Stanton, who was responsible both for the building of the Cathedral and St. Paul's College. These pioneers planned largely and they planned well."

I am sure that so long as he lives it will bring joy to the heart of Mr. Johnston that, during his ministry out here he has seen the erection of this Church, and that all who have been his co-workers will share with him in that joy.

I often wondered as I used to see Sir Paul Chater in St. Andrew's Church whether there did not come to him at times a sense of great joy at having given to the congregation their spiritual home. And now, again, his munificence has made possible the building of the Union Church, Kowloon, to be for you a spiritual home, a place around which will centre some of the most sacred experiences of life. I offer you, from my heart, congratulations and wish you God-speed in all the work that shall be done here.

I cannot conclude without adding a personal word. Both as a fellow-minister and a brother-mason I have known Mr. Johnston well during the seven years he has been in Hong Kong. I want to say to Mr. Johnston that I have been grateful to him for his friendship and help during the time he has been among us and I wish him and his God's richest blessing for the days to come.

Following the Bishop, the minister of the Church of Christ (Hop Yat Church) gave a speech in Chinese which the Rev. Frank Short translated.

A very enjoyable social function followed the service which was also very well attended.

The male choir helped greatly in the success of the function and the Bishop remarked that he had never heard so many male voices in a local choir since his arrival in the Colony.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The following health bulletin of Eastern ports, for the week ended April 11, has been issued:—

Plague.	Cases.	Deaths.
Bombay	4	1
Rangoon	1	1
Colombo	2	2
Phnom Penh	—	2

Cholera.	Cases.	Deaths.
Calcutta	95	55
Chittagong	—	1
Madras	3	5
Pondicherry	5	1
Bangkok	1	—
Haiphong	—	3
Phnom Penh	1	—
Saigon	2	—
Canton	1	—

Small-pox.	Cases.	Deaths.
Bombay	2	1
Calcutta	101	78
Cochin	10	—
Madras	12	2
Nagpantam	1	—
Rangoon	2	—
Vizagapatam	2	1
Pondicherry	3	3
Penang	1	1
Saigon	1	—
Canton	1	—
Shanghai	—	2
Greater Shanghai	2	—

Cerebro-Spinal Fever.	Cases.	Deaths.
Shanghai	—	16
Greater Shanghai	14	3

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., O.B.E.]

Parades.

(a.)—Corps Band:—

1.—The Band will parade at the Music Room, City Hall, on Tuesday, April 21, at 5.30 p.m. sharp, for Band practice.

2.—There will be a meeting of the Band Rifle Club at the Miniature Range on Wednesday, April 22, at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

(b.)—Engineer Company:—

1.—Miniature Range Shoot at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Monday, April 20.

2.—The Company will furnish a team to compete in the Hong Kong Rifle League at an early date to be notified later.

(c.)—Armoured Car Company:—

1.—Car Section: There will be a meeting of N.C.O.'s only at Headquarters on Monday, April 20, at 5.30 p.m. There will be no parades until further notice.

2.—Motor Cycle Section: Parade at 5.30 p.m. for Instructional Drive or if wet for practice in Map Reading and Message Writing.

(d.)—Machine Gun Company:—

1.—N.C.O.'s and Recruits classes will be held on every Tuesday, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. in uniform with belts and side-arms under C.S.M. Slattery until further orders. The Miniature Range will be at the disposal of the M.G. Company on all Tuesday nights for musketry instruction. O.C. M.G. Company will advise later the dates required for Kennedy Road Range.

2.—The Company Rifle Club will hold the next meeting on Sunday, May 3, at 9.30 a.m. on the Peak Range. The Company Commanders Cup and Individual Spoon Shoots will be held but there will be no competition for the Inter-Section Cup. The Peak Range is at the disposal of O.C. M.G. Company on the first Sunday of every month as hitherto until further notice.

3.—M.G. Part II. will be fired on Sunday, April 19, by all of the M.G. Company who have not yet fired. Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen Hughes. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.40 a.m.

(e.)—Scottish Company:—

Individual Machine Gun Instruction at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, April 23.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters under Captain H. R. Forsyth.

No. 8 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E.

2.—M.G. Part II. Casuals will fire with M.G. Company (see last para. of (d)).

(f.)—Portuguese Company:—

No. 12a Platoon will parade at Headquarters on Friday, April 24, at 5.30 p.m. sharp, for passing out tests from Recruits stage.

Dress: Optional, but belts, rifles and bayonets must be brought.

(g.)—The Officers commanding the undermentioned Units will issue their orders separately to their commands:—

Rifles and Bayonets.

All rifles and bayonets must be returned at once to Corps Stores in a clean condition. Any defects must be reported when handing in.

Command.

Lieut. J. F. Wright will assume command of the Armoured Car Company, Car Section, vice Captain A. M. Thornhill (sick) with effect from April 6.

Musketry and M.G. Casuals.

All Officers Commanding Units are informed that Stonecutters Range has been asked for on April 20 for use by the Corps to complete Casuals in Rifle and Machine Gun. O.S.C. Units will forthwith notify the Adjutant of the number in each category who have yet to fire to complete their course for 1930-31, to facilitate arrangements.

Returns.

(i.)—Officers Commanding Units will please render to Headquarters by noon on the last Friday in each month a return showing:—

(a.)—The names of those in their Unit who are on leave on that date.

(b.)—Any change of address which has taken place during the month. O.S.C. Units are particularly asked to render this return by the hour stated, so as to ensure the accuracy of Office returns.

Transfer.

No. 1121 Sergt. G. E. L. Johnson, No. 3 Platoon, is transferred to Engineer Company and reverts to the ranks with effect from to-day's date.

Struck Off the Strength.

Having completed three years' service:—No. 1218 Pte. M. V. F. Neves, No. 9 Platoon, as from March 28, 1931.

Permitted to resign:—No. 1830 Spr. N. J. Babbington, Engineer Company, as from March 28, 1931.

Strength.

The following have been taken on Corps Strength:—

No. 1687 Pte. A. Jackson, Government Laboratory, No. 3 Platoon, as from March 24, 1931.

No. 1688 Pte. J. L. Totley, Government Laboratory, No. 3 Platoon, as from March 24, 1931.

No. 1689 Spr. W. E. Allan, Sanitary Department, Engineer Company, as from April 11, 1931.

No. 1690 Pte. C. F. Andrews, 3, United Terrace, Homantin, No. 6 Platoon, as from April 13, 1931.

Leave.

Capt. K. S. Morrison, Reserve of Officers, granted 11½ months' leave, from April 15, 1931, to March 31, 1932.

No. 309 C.Q.M.S. G. H. Cuthill, No. 6 Platoon, granted nine months' leave, from March 29 to December 28, 1931.

No. 1346 Pte. O. E. C. Marton, No. 1 Platoon, granted eight months' leave, from March 28 to November 28, 1931.

(Sgd.) W. H. G. GOATER,

Captain,

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Notice.

1.—A copy of rules, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Riffards 1931-32, has been posted on Corps notice board.

2.—There will be a meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee at Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22.

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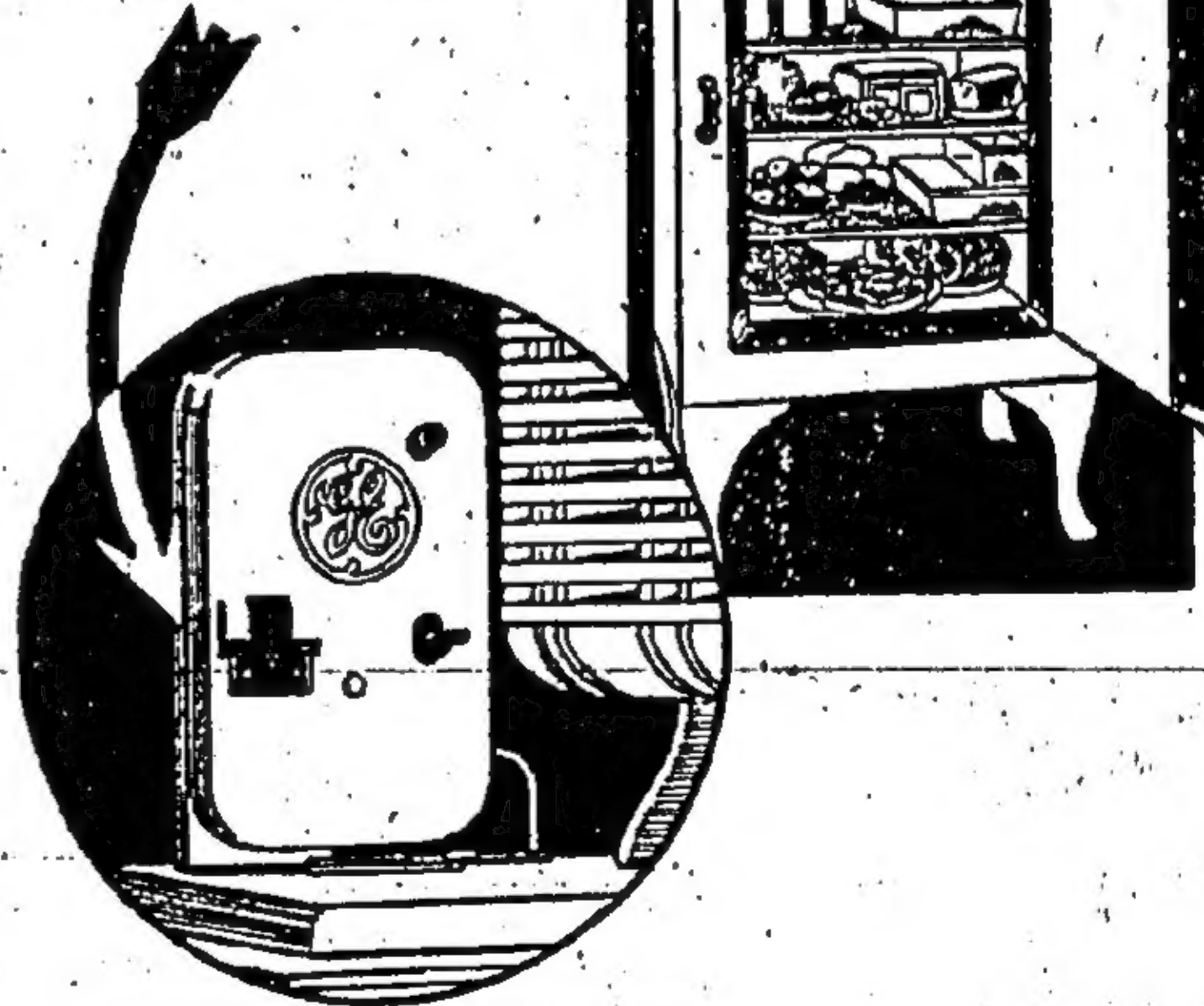
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WHY A FINE FILM GIBBON'S "DECLINE AND FALL" WOULD MAKE!

M. B. G. BIRCH ON PROGRESS, PERSONALITIES AND THE PAST.

A very interesting and amusing lecture on "Histories and History" was given yesterday evening before the University Arts Association by Mr. B. G. Birch. The course of his address, Mr. Birch said of Edward Gibbon:— "The immortal historian of the Roman Empire, Gibbon was born into a Protestant and Anglican family and brought up in that religion. At Oxford he made acquaintance with Roman Catholicism and became converted to that religion. His father, seriously alarmed for his son's spiritual welfare, sent him to Switzerland, the stronghold of Protestantism in Europe, and put him to board in the home of a Protestant minister of religion in Lausanne. The cure worked, and Gibbon became reconverted back to Protestantism. But these changes, and perhaps also, we may suspect, the patient's natural revulsion against a medicine too strongly administered, induced in him from that time forth an indifference in matters of religion that at times verged on hostility. Now Gibbon is not only the first and greatest of English historians; he approaches also as nearly as possible to the perfect historian. He was of calm and dispassionate disposition, in easy circumstances, free from political or religious attachments, a sceptic in religion and a cosmopolitan in politics. He had no particular axe of his own to grind or pet theory to advance.

The difference between Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" and Macaulay's "History of England" is the difference between two temperaments: the one cool, phlegmatic, detached, ironical; the other eager, determined, fiercely partisan. Macaulay makes an honest attempt at impartiality, and at doing equal justice to Whig and Tory. But he does not succeed. He is himself such a convinced and out-and-out Whig that his laboured attempts to draw a fair picture of Cavalier or Tory fall flat. He wrote one of the best histories ever written, but it is history seen from one angle; it is the English Revolution of 1688 seen through the eyes of a passionate champion, or the triumph of Protestantism and the Whig party as seen by an ardent protestant and Whig.

Gibbon's Decline and Fall.

Took him 20 years to write and is certainly one of the greatest achievements of single human brain. To read it is like watching some colossal pageant, where one gorgeous scene succeeds another, and I am astonished that no contemporary American film-producer has yet (so far as I know) made use of that rich mine of material. Probably the producers of films have never heard of it. When they do, I may yet, walking some fine day down Queen's Rd, be arrested by some flaming announcement outside the King's or Queen's theatres, such as:

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Of H.G. Wells the speaker said: Some few years ago, then, Mr. Wells looked at history, and behold, it was not good. He determined to write his own history. So he sat down, and after two years of toil produced his "Outline of History"—a remarkable feat of labour and courage, and also, said his enemies, of presumption. For Wells knew and pretended to know nothing of history beyond what the average man knows. He depended for his information upon expert advisers. He made no claim to be an expert himself. But as an ordinary person he had formed the opinion that history, as commonly taught, was out of proportion, and he set out to put this right. One of his main grievances was that undue importance had been given to Rome and Roman civilization, and not enough to the central Asian plateaus and other somewhat vaguely defined localities. So he attempted to remedy this, by writing his own history of this world, primarily with the purpose of supplying an improved text-book for the use of schools and universities. The result was curious. For the schools and universities, true to conservative tradition, refused to look at anything that flew in the face of accepted tradition, whereas the general public, both in England and in America, fell eagerly upon the book and bought it by the thousands. Thus Wells, who had fancied he was composing a revised history primer, found that he had instead produced a best-seller.

Of the theory of progress the speaker said: I am inclined to think that the over emphasis of the idea of progress has vitiated much modern thinking about history. To see all past history in terms of a progress towards the better present is to see it falsely. The civilized Cretan or Egyptian or Roman did not pat himself on the back and say to himself: 'I am doing well; I have progressed enormously beyond those savage aboriginals from whom we spring, and am halfway or so towards the splendid civilized man of 20th century Europe.' Not at all. He saw himself, not as a step in evolution, but as the finished product. And it is quite possible that he was right. We to-day are accustomed, largely on the strength of our purely fortuitous scientific discoveries, to imagine that our civilization is an advance on all the others. But it is not necessarily so, and we know too little about former civilizations to prove it. If we judge a civilization by its art, or by its architecture, or by its literature, we shall have to say that the Cretans, or the Egyptians, or the Greeks, were not our inferiors. The vast remains of the buried cities of Crete, such as Anuradhapura, do not indicate a low degree of civilization. We are too apt to assume (under the bias of the idea of evolution) that because a certain race lived a long time ago it was necessarily cruder or savager than ourselves.

This bias is especially noticeable in the already mentioned work of Mr. H. G. Wells. As the most interesting of scientific reformers, Wells is consumed with this idea of progress. For him, the whole long pageant of past history is but a tedious and rather stupid prelude to the scientific civilization of the 20th century, which itself is but the commencement of unimaginable future developments. The fault of Mr. Wells and others is that they see things out of proportion. They are so dominated by the idea of progress, and especially scientific progress, that they forget how very new and short a thing modern European industrial and scientific civilization is. In comparison with the long past, the changes wrought by science are so dazzling that we forget that nations may be long and highly civilized without any knowledge of science whatever.

FATAL BID FOR LIBERTY.

CHINESE CONVICT'S PLUNGE TO DEATH.

VICTORIA GAOL SENSATION.

A gaudy escape, as sensational as it was daring, ended in the death of a Chinese convict at Victoria Gaol on Thursday night. The man was a long term prisoner who had been seven years in prison before he made the attempt. Had he succeeded he would have eluded the law of thirteen more years of penal servitude. As it was, he risked his life in an effort to regain his liberty, and lost.

In 1923 that Cho Wai, alias Fung Chung, then 23 years of age, was sentenced to twenty years' hard labour by Mr. Justice Gompertz, being convicted on charges of intimidation and of sending threatening letters. For the former offence he was sentenced to three years' hard labour and for the latter to twenty, the sentences to run concurrently.

Carefully-laid Plan.

The plan to escape, which for the convict ended so disastrously, was very carefully and patiently prepared. Whether Cho Wai had any associates in the plan which was to bring him his liberty is, at the moment, not clearly established. From time to time prisoners in the gaol are issued with pieces of cotton cloth to clean up their utensils and of these cotton cloths Cho Wai collected a large number. With these small bits of cloth, each a little over a foot in length, Cho Wai managed to make a rope of almost thirty feet in length.

Simultaneously with the making of the rope, Cho Wai occupied a cell on the top floor of "E" Hall in the Gaol, a block of buildings near the junction of Chancery Lane and Arbutnot Road, made preparations for escaping from the cell itself. By means of much patient work, he managed to bore a hole through the roof in one corner of his cell. To get to the roof, the prisoner had to climb up to the ventilators of his cell over the door.

Squeezed Through a Hole.

When the prisoner had succeeded in making a hole roughly fifteen inches by eight, his preparations were complete. He chose Thursday night, just after 9 p.m. for his attempt. In order that his escape might not be detected on the outside by any wanderer who might happen to look into the cell that night, Cho Wai caused his mat and blanket to be so rolled up as to represent a man lying recumbent in the cell. This done, he climbed up to the ventilators and squeezed himself out of the cell through the hole in the roof. He was a fairly well-built person, being about 140 pounds in weight and the task of getting out of the small hole must have been exceedingly difficult.

Having got on to the roof, the man made a brief survey of the situation from that angle. During his seven years in prison he must have often studied his chances from below. What he decided upon will never be known, but from the evidence given at the inquest held before Mr. Williams at the Magistrate's yesterday, it seems that Cho concentrated his efforts on getting on to the hopper head of a drain pipe which was only a few feet away from the roof. One end of his improvised rope was tied on to a ventilation louver on the roof which was about fifteen feet from the edge and after gradually spending out the rope, Cho swung himself over the edge to the final stage of his escape. Had he succeeded in reaching the drainpipe he would have succeeded in climbing on to the temporary roof of a workshop below from which point he would have, in all probability, succeeded in scaling a twenty feet wall and thus reaching Chancery Lane.

Felled!

Unfortunately, it was not designed that Cho Wai should ever be a free man in this world. Just as he was about to get on to the drain-pipe he was noticed by an Indian warder and through the command came: "Remain where you are." The Indian warder who had seen the attempt drew his revolver, but before he had occasion to fire, he intervened. One of the knots of the improvised rope gave at that very moment and Cho came hurtling down from the roof of his prison on to the temporary roof which he had risked so much to reach. From there he was shot on to a point in the yard some ten feet below the roof. He broke his left collar-bone in the fall and his skull was slightly fractured. Medical evidence, however, showed that the man's heart had been in a bad condition and that he was not one fit for violent exercise. The shock of the violent impact and the shock of it all proved fatal to Cho Wai's heart.

After hearing the facts, the jury returned a verdict of "Death as result of trying to escape from prison."

CANTON'S DISABLED SOLDIERS' INSTITUTE.

TO TURN EX-SOLDIERS INTO PRODUCERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, April 17.

The Institute for the Maimed and Disabled Soldiers of the 8th Military Route, which had been under construction for the past year or more, was formally opened yesterday afternoon in the midst of an impressive ceremony.

The Institute, which is located in the north-eastern suburb of Canton, near Yellow Flower Hill, is a huge two-storied steel-concrete structure equipped with all the modern conveniences.

The opening ceremony was performed by Mr. Su Man Sang, President of the Institute. In the course of his speech he said that the need for such an institution has long been felt. It is essentially a home for maimed and disabled soldiers. Here these unfortunate ones are permanently cared for, and, to lighten the burden of the Government, they are taught a trade of some sort. It is the hope of the promoters to turn eventually all the disabled and maimed ones in the Institute into self-supporting citizens through the production of useful articles.

At present the Institute has four departments, the Training Department, the Medical Department, the Department of Handicrafts, and the Department of General Affairs. It is through the Department of Handicrafts that the Institute is to turn the maimed and disabled into producers.

In this last department the maimed and the disabled men are taught the art of tailoring, sewing and cox weaving, cotton dyeing, towel making, printing, book-binding and shoe making. Over 500 men are now taking lessons in this department of handicrafts.

If he chooses, an ex-soldier may leave the Institute after he has become proficient in some line of handicraft to start a business of his own elsewhere.

The Institute has at present nearly 1,000 disabled or maimed soldiers. The opening ceremony yesterday was looked upon as a commendable step forward towards providing something really worth while and permanent for the disabled soldiers. Among those present at the opening meeting was General Chen Tsai Tong, who also delivered a speech.

KWANGSI PEACE MOVEMENT.

OPPOSITION TO NANKING STILL STUBBORN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, April 17.

It is learned from independent but reliable sources that Chang Fat Fui, Pei Chung Hsi and other leaders of the Kwangsi "Ironside" coalition are still as firm and stubborn as ever in their opposition to Nanking, in spite of the strong and well-meant efforts of General Wong Shao Hung and others at restoring peace to war-shattered Kwangsi.

General Li Chung Jen is on the fence, with an inclination towards the side of Pei Chung Hsi and Chang Fat Fui.

These big leaders are again showing signs of military activity, for they cannot maintain a position of watchfulness permanently. They are removing their military headquarters to Lungchow, near the southern border of Kwangsi. Here they are erecting strong defences and are establishing a military training school on a big scale. Thus far they have shown no signs of yielding to Nanking, notwithstanding frequent reports to the contrary.

It appears that General Wong Shao Hung is becoming disheartened with the peace movement for Kwangsi which he initiated, realizing the futility of persuasion. That he is still staying in Hong Kong, unable to proceed to his native province to take up the reins of government, has been pointed out as ample proof that such is the situation.

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

CROUCHER & CO.'S DAILY REPORT.

The shares of our Public Utilities came in for more attention. \$93½ was offered for Star Ferries after sales at \$83.

Hong Kong Electricities were also wanted at \$70½ with no sellers. China Lights opened with buyers offering \$22½ but at the close of the day shares changed hands as high as \$25 cash and \$23½. It is rumoured that a fresh issue of shares will be made in the near future on very favourable terms.

Trams were booked at \$17.90 and \$18.00.

Wharves are scarce and shares could be placed at \$103 cash and \$105 June.

There are buyers of Lands at \$35, Humphreys at \$16½ and Watsons at \$12.40.

Banks were taken at \$20.15 and \$20.50 and Unions at \$20.35.

Hotels & Commercials after touching \$14.75 ex. div. and \$18.60 respectively were easier on profit taking the last business we heard of was \$14.30 and \$18.20.

Underwriters continue in request and large quantities were taken off the market at \$4.90 and \$5.00.

Cottons are neglected and Ewos are offering at \$14.70 with buyers at about \$14½ for the settlement.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT.

RETIRED 20 YEARS AGO.

His many friends in the Colony will be sorry to learn of the death, at Home, of Mr. William Robertson, who was formerly in the Hong Kong Police. The late Mr. Robertson left the Colony on retirement after twenty-seven years' service here, during which time he made a host of friends amongst whom he was very popular. He was a very keen supporter of the Police Recreation Club, lawn bowls and tug-of-war being his favourite games.

Born in February, 1860, at Dundee, the late Mr. Robertson was first appointed to the local Police Force in August, 1884, as a constable and, by degrees, he rose to the rank of Inspector in 1897. He was for many years officer in charge of the Shaikwan Police Station but at the time of his retirement on June 10, 1911, he was stationed at West Point.

The late Mr. Robertson will be remembered for having been given charge of a contingent of lakongs and Indian policemen of the Local Force, who were sent to London on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1897.

LAUNDRYMAN-OFFICE BOY.

ANOTHER "SQUEEZE" STORY.

An office boy employed in the Attorney General's office was brought before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court yesterday charged with misappropriation of 72 cents.

The defendant at first denied the charge but later changed his plea to one of "guilty."

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, who appeared as complainant, told of having the boy in his employment for about four years. It was the practice of the office for the towels which were used in the cloak room to be sent out to be laundered, and upon their return the stenographer gave the office boy the money with which to pay the laundryman.

On Thursday the bill amounted to \$1.50 and as usual the money was given to the defendant who only gave the washerman 48 cents, keeping the other 72 cents. As far as could be gathered this practice has been going on for years.

The defendant stated that he had washed some of the towels himself and considered that he was entitled to some of the money.

His Worship said that the defendant might have considered that he was entitled to the money but as he had kept the money without the knowledge of any one of the fact, it was clearly a matter of misappropriation of the money and he fined the defendant \$40 or one month's hard labour.

ANOTHER RECORD FOR THE EMPRESS OF JAPAN.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived in Vancouver on April 16. The voyage from Yokohama to Victoria, B.C. took 7 days, 29 hours 18 minutes. The average speed being 22.27 knots per hour. This is a record, the Pacific not having been crossed before in under eight days.

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Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.40 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone remains central over N.E. China. Depressions are shown to the N.E. of Japan and over Tongking.

Local Forecast:—S. or variable winds, moderate; generally overcast; occasional rain.

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HIGH SPIRITS IN HONG KONG.

A big and burly chair coolie has been, very properly, fined for hitting a little English girl and making her nose bleed. But there is less need for indignation about his regrettable lapse than one might suppose. The little girl, and a little boy, in attendance, had evidently been giving the man a pretty thin time playing about with his chair-cumpany until he was tired beyond human endurance. Obviously the sympathies of Police Inspector LOAN, who bailed the man out, and in Court said everything he could for him, and of Mr. SCORFIELD, that most patient of magistrates, were not entirely against the offender. It sounded as if both those public servants have good reason to know all about Far Eastern children, and visualised perfectly well what (in all probability) happened.

On the other hand, there is something to be said on the children's side. Which of us, if brought up in the country, has not called down on his head the just wrath of Father GILES for stealing his apples and playing in his corn? Who has not driven the gardener to attempted violence and roused to attempted violence by trespassing, and by the use of that historic weapon the catapult against corduroy trousers as well as in the hunting of birds and rabbits? If we lived in towns a harmless green-grocer, a confectioner and the keeper of a small bicycle shop were our probable victims. A chair coolie and his cumpany must be infinite temptation to "small and agile," and no doubt the men who ply for hire near the Peak station suffer many things. We make no imputation against the two children in question. For all that was stated in evidence it may be that they walked in upon a highly delicate situation, prepared by other and more experienced young residents of the Far East.

Every parent in Hong Kong comes up against this problem of children and Chinese servants. We have heard a little girl pronounce on the future spiritual state of her amah with the precision of JOHN CALVIN on of the Grand Inquisitor of Spain, we have heard a shrill stream of pidgin abuse on a ricksha puller who had bumped his young charge. An Anglo-Indian, of conventionalised humour could hardly have done better. We all know the Chinese reaction of good-tempered wonder. "An Pat, talk my all the same big tai-pan," is the kind of remark, common enough, that reflects the amah's view of it. In some things she is adamant. Order a dose of castor oil, and the little tai-pan will be held, limbs and nose, till "he have eaten," but once the incident is over normal relations are resumed. On

the whole there is no child attendant to equal a Chinese amah. How many of us have suffered years ago from the type of nursery tyrant that RUDYARD KIPING has portrayed with the bitterness of personal experience. Most of us recollect either a succession of all sorts, or a "trusted servant," on whom we learned and practised the whole art of hating thoroughly. The amah is more kindly, and, to the child, more understandable. In any case, the majority of us out here rely, and will continue to rely, on amahs to look after our nurseries.

Hong Kong children hardly belong to the kind that "are seen and not heard," and their little amenities are not confined to their amahs. A headmistress, putting a young aspirant for the kindergarten through a little examination, was told in icy tones: "You haven't made that letter very well, but it might be Z," and a lopsided N was hastily mended. All these things are inevitable in the Far East, and parents look to the Government to maintain schools where infant anglicisms can be corrected. A band of very devoted teachers does its best, but it cannot be said that fabrics and equipments are up to standard. We know that in these days there are many claims on Government consideration, but schools for British children should not be overlooked.

M. BRIAND'S ANNIVERSARY.

POLITICIANS used to be a long-lived race. They began young, and as spruce youngsters would start, like DAVID OF old, by slinging missiles of wit against an aged GOLIATH. Thus WINSTON CHURCHILL attacked the late Lord BALFOUR and Mr. LLOYD GEORGE, and the great W. E. GLADSTONE himself. But the war took heavy toll of statesmen, and in England there are but few survivors of the days prior to August, 1914.

Over in France, however, M. BRIAND recently celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his entry into French Ministerial politics. It was on March 14, 1906, that M. BRIAND entered his first Cabinet. He has been three times Minister of Justice, four times Home Secretary, twice Minister of Education, eleven times Prime Minister, and sixteen times Foreign Secretary.

In twenty-five years of Cabinet experience he has served in twenty-five different Governments and held thirty-six distinct portfolios. It is in itself a bewildering record, but it is all the more striking when one recalls the variety of the causes he has served. Like so many French statesmen, M. BRIAND started life as a Socialist, and an advanced one, too. In 1894 he championed the idea of the general strike, yet in 1910 he crushed a threatened railway strike by calling up all railwaymen reservists and arresting the members of the strike committee. He first made his name as a strong anti-clerical. It was to carry out the Law for the Separation of Church and State that he first took office in 1906, but in 1921 he re-established diplomatic relations with the Vatican in the teeth of strong Radical opposition. In 1913 he increased the period of military service to three years because of the German danger; last year a Government in which he was Foreign Secretary authorised the evacuation of the Rhineland before the treaty period was over. It is, indeed, in his last incarnation as director of French foreign policy continuously since 1925 that he is most likely to be remembered. His suppleness has not pleased wholehearted nationalists or single-minded progressives, but it is undeniable that his long period of service has seen Franco-German relations placed on a more satisfactory basis than seemed possible before Locarno. He has made himself so necessary at the Quai d'Orsay that a Government in which he was not Foreign Secretary would be almost inconceivable. In a land where Governments change with the regularity of the seasons that is the best tribute possible to his diplomacy and skill.

★ News and Views ★

Easter Eggs!

Easter eggs says the *Evening Standard* grow more gorgeous each year. New comers are the mammoth affairs with a complete cocktail or liqueur set inside. Many of these sets are beautifully decorated. One cocktail set, intended for someone with sporting tastes, had a shaker painted on which was a huntsman. The pack followed on the glasses.

Worth Thinking Over!

At a regimental reunion in Barnstable, Lieut.-col. W. H. Brooke, M.C., commanding the 6th (Territorial) Battalion of the Devonshire Regiment, said: "The Englishman is anti-militarist from intense stupidity. Anti-militarism runs the risk of seeing England defeated, our sons carried off into Russian labour camps, and our daughters to be the concubines of the foul and filthy Soviets."

H.M.V. and Columbia.

Details of the huge merger between those former rivals the Gramophone Co. (H.M.V.) and the Columbia Graphophone Co., which has contemplated for some time past, were announced last month. A holding company will be formed to acquire the entire issued capital of the two concerns. The new company will have a capital of over \$2,500,000, with a market value of \$18,000,000. Both companies have world-wide ramifications, and the new combine will be linked up with the Radio Corporation of America, through the latter company's 50 per cent. shareholding in the H.M.V. Co. The Columbia Graphophone Co. already has a large interest in America through its subsidiary, Columbia (International).

Stamina of Women Athletes.

Anxiety about the strains to which women athletes subject themselves is no new thing, writes a correspondent to a London paper and I have heard it expressed many times since they began to compete in track, field and cross-country events. But I have heard of remarkably few cases in which serious damage has been done. I remember several years ago, when women's athletics were just beginning, discussing the achievements and stamina of the competitors with Mr. H. M. Abrahams. He was of the opinion that they were to be compared with boys of 16, and I should think that precautions on these lines would avert risk of harm. After all, women athletes have consolations denied to their brothers. While I was talking to Mr. Abrahams we saw a defeated runner, exhausted and in tears, being kissed back into serenity by the captain of her team. Mr. Abrahams told me that he had never used that method.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Antonio Natalino dos Moraes Jorge, of Macao, to Miss Rosa Leung, residing at 23, Mosque Junction, Hong Kong.

The Rand Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. inform us that the clean-up for the 4 weeks ended March 28, 1931 amounted to 1,804.40 ozs. gold.

The annual athletic sports of St. Joseph's College will take place to-day at Caroline Hill commencing at noon. Parents, Old Boys and friends of the College are cordially invited.

"The pen may be mightier than the sword, but it definitely isn't mightier than the truncheon," remarked Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when imposing a fine of \$2 on a Chinese letter-writer and fortune-teller, who pleaded guilty to having caused obstruction.

Pleading guilty to the charge of disobeying a traffic signal at the bottom of Garden Road, Mr. C. E. Holmes was fined \$10 by Mr. Schofield at Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. Holmes said that he thought the pointman gave him the signal to go but evidently he made a mistake.

The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, in response to an invitation by the Currency Mission, has appointed the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.C., and Messrs. Li Tze Fong, Manager of the Bank of East Asia, and Tang Shiu Kin, manager of the Tang Tin Fook Bank, to represent the Chinese Chamber at a forthcoming conference.

Hot on the "Scent."

A Brighton policeman when on the Parade was attracted by a smell of scent. He traced it to a sixty-year-old man—and arrested him. It was alleged, when the man came before the Court, that the perfume was among articles stolen from a boarding-house.

Poiret.

The Memoirs of M. Poiret for many years the arbiter of Parisian elegance are a monument of egoism; yet there is something very disarming about M. Poiret's vanity and bounce. He leaves one with a tender feeling for his extravagant ostentation. While still in his teens he bounced M. Doucet into taking him on as a designer, and within a few months he had bounced M. Doucet into letting him go. He bounced Lady Oxford into inviting him to Downing-street, and he bounced Baroness Henri de Rothschild out of his shop. Thereafter he bounced the Faubourg into attending his parties. And what parties they were! Barely has a lavish imagination run such riots of hospitality, rarely have so many fountains sparkled among the orchids. M. Poiret now lives in retirement, and spends his days fishing sadly. But a man of his ebullient nature cannot remain in retirement very long.

A Nazi Leader.

The scuffle between the Hitlerites and the police at Königsberg resulted in a son of the ex-Kaiser being beaten with a truncheon. It also produced a bloody head for a much more interesting and dangerous individual than Prince August Wilhelm, Dr. Goebbels, the first lieutenant of Herr Hitler and the leader of the Berlin Nazis. The "Doktor" is an extraordinary figure. He outwits his own colleagues in ultra-patriotic fervour and in anti-Semitism. He took no part in the war—he has been lame from birth. He looks Jewish and is suspected of mixed blood, even by his admirers. He is not more than five feet two. The "Doktor" is a disappointed poet. His play "The Wanderer" rejected for years and shamed after his political successes, was a failure. He likes luxury. He owns a plutocratic light-blue seven-seater car. He sits in the same luxurious chair in the same luxurious office from which Rathenau controlled the supply of German raw materials during the war—a caricature of a would-be Napoleon with tightly compressed lips and a soft collar. He is a transitory figure in politics thrown up by the time of stress in which his country is living, and yet dandy because of his oratorical powers.

At Central Magistracy yesterday three Chinese were convicted on the charge of keeping a common gaming house at 145, Shaaukwan Road and were each fined \$200 or two months. It was stated that the "game" took the form of a missing word competition and cigarettes were offered as prizes.

Five boarding-house runners were brought before the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning on the charge of boarding the Blue Funnel steamer Tyndareus on Thursday without the permission of the officer on duty. All the defendants pleaded guilty, two of them being found to have a previous conviction against them. They were fined \$20 or two weeks and the other three \$10 or one week.

When two Chinese were charged before Mr. Williams yesterday with keeping a common gaming house wherein the game of *ze mi* was being played, Mr. Losely (for the defence) asked for the case to be dismissed on the warrant, which was executed at 32, Sai Street, had been applied for in respect of 178, Hollywood Road. He pointed out that the Police had to keep strictly to the warrant. Inspector Shannon explained that though the house was known as 32, Sai Street, the entrance was in Hollywood Road. The first defendant was fined \$75 while the second (his assistant) was fined \$10.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The weather during the holidays was not all that could have been desired by the Hong Kong Volun-

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One demonstrator was killed and three wounded and seven others injured in a riot at Dekerness, Upper Egypt, in a clash between the police and the rioters. Page 9.
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★ Local Notes and Events ★

ter Rifle Club for their meeting at the Tai Hang range. Entries in the various events were small, only 13 of the corps out of a membership of 274, competing for the championship. The shooting on the whole—perhaps owing to the dull weather—was not good, the only possible throughout the meeting being made by Sergeant Terrill at 600 yards. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Pritchard, and Major Pritchard read a letter from H.E. the Governor expressing his regret that he was unable to attend to distribute them. The Major then expressed the thanks of the corps to the donors of the prizes, Lieut. M. S. Northcote for the good work he had done in connection with the meeting, and the officers of the corps for their assistance.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, April 18, 1931.

Looking Back 25 Years.

We are informed that a private telegram has been received in this Colony from Shanghai announcing the death of the Empress Dowager or Empress of the East, which event occurred at Peking on the 6th inst. The deceased Empress was the first wife of the Emperor Hien Fung and mother of the Emperor Tung Chi. She was nearly fifty-one years of age and was married to Hien Fung about thirty-one years ago. Her decease appears to have been unexpected. The Empress of the West, the second wife of Hien Fung, has for some time past been seriously ill, and her condition was at last reports from the North considered rather critical, but no report of the Empress of the East having even been indisposed has been received. It is therefore not improbable that a mistake has been made in the transmission of the announcement.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, April 18, 1931.

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Hong Kong, 7th April, 1931.

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LIANG CHI HAO,
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SPECIAL NOTICE.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH.

THE 88th ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNION CHURCH, HONG KONG.

SERVICES:—

MORNING: 11 A.M.

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PREACHER:—THE BISHOP OF VICTORIA.

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(Social Hour after Evening Service).

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SPANISH MONARCHS' REUNION IN PARIS.

QUEEN ENA'S LAST TERRIBLE NIGHT IN SPAIN.

WILL SPAIN RENOUNCE STATE RELIGION?

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Royal Domestic Drama at Hotel.

Paris, April 17. It was three o'clock in the morning before King Alfonso retired to bed in the hotel after one of the most tiring days of his life.

He sat late discussing events with Queen Ena, who was noticeably more cheerful since the King arrived.

King Alfonso rose this morning evidently refreshed, and he ate a hearty breakfast.

The Queen of the Belgians called to see him at ten o'clock and caught the train at eleven for Brussels.

The Prince of the Asturias is still in bed, but is better. Around this Royal domestic drama the hotel throbs with excitement.

The hall is packed with journalists, and outside stand the film camera men ready to "shoot." The crowds outside gaze at the windows of the Royal suite.

The visitors' book is being signed all day long by distinguished sympathisers.

One old lady wrote, "Louise Tholey and Countess Jean de Helleville condemned to death by the Germans in 1916. Saved by the intervention of the King of Spain."

Renunciation of Catholic Religion.

LONDON, April 17. A report that the new Spanish Government has renounced the State Catholic religion was given prominence yesterday evening, but is not confirmed by Reuter's correspondent at Madrid, who says that while a decree relating to freedom of worship has been prepared and another decree will provide for the secularisation of cemeteries, competent observers are of opinion that the Government hitherto has made no move in the direction of disestablishment, and can hardly do so without seriously undermining its position.

The Minister of Justice (Senor Fernando de los Rios) yesterday received a deputation from the Chapter of the Madrid Cathedral. This is interpreted as meaning a recognition of the present regime.

It is reported from Barcelona that a declaration is to be published on behalf of the various Catholic bodies stating that they are prepared to accept the new regime. The declaration ends "God Save the Republic."

The police are strictly ordered to prevent any demonstrations against the Church.

Queen Ena's Night of Horror.

MADRID, April 17. An eye-witness told Reuter's correspondent the story how Queen Ena's last terrible night in Spain was spent in the almost deserted Palace accompanied only by her children, the Duchess San Carlos, and twelve half-brothers and half-sisters, who refused to desert their posts, although they would have been of little help in case of trouble, for the were practically unarmed.

Outside the walls of the Palace clearly visible from the Royal apartments the mob surged and fro, wearing red caps waving flags and torches, shouting and shouting for admission.

The pathetic group of watchers at the Palace windows it must have seemed as if the frightful scenes of the French Revolution were being re-enacted.

Queen Ena mastered her emotion and sought to console the women who were weeping and trembling round her.

At length dawn broke after a sleepless vigil. How near tragedy came was revealed by the fact that an attempt was actually made to force the iron gates by means of a heavy lorry.

The Last Felony of a Great Felon.

"The last felony of a great felon" is how the newspaper *Socialista* describes King Alfonso's manifesto, the publication of which has been greeted with much amazement and indignation.

Political prisoners are now being released from the jails in Madrid; 130 were set free on Wednesday and 190 yesterday.

Republican Civil Guards.

Wearing red brassards the new "Republican Civil Guard" are on duty, having sworn to observe the strict code whereby they are ready to "watch over the order and welfare of the Spanish Republic," and, if necessary, to die for it, and never to have recourse to violence in any circumstances against the peaceful manifestations of the citizens.

France Can Always Count on Spain's Loyalty.

How the revolution will affect the balance of power in Europe is indicated by the Foreign Minister (Senor Llerenas), who, interviewed regarding the supposed secret Italo-Spanish Treaty, said he had informed France that in the event of a Franco-Italian conflict, France could always count on Spain's loyalty.

Revision of Work Under Dictatorship.

LATER. The Provisional Republican Cabinet has decided to issue a decree giving each State Department until May 31 to make a detailed revision of the work of the dictatorship and devise measures in substitution of those introduced by the Dictatorship.

It has also decided to dissolve the permanent section of the Senate, as such Senators were not elected but Royal nominees, and are ineligible to join the Constituent Assembly, which will be elected on a national suffrage.

All Civil Governors Dismissed.

MADRID, April 17. The Civil Governors of all the provinces were summarily dismissed by official decree and fresh Governors appointed.

All officers and soldiers under arrest have been liberated "to mark the advent of the revolution."

Spanish Refugees Flocking to Gibraltar.

GIBRALTAR, April 17. Spanish grandees and monarchists of lesser degree are crowding to Gibraltar, where the hotels are full of fugitives, including General Jordana, Spanish High Commissioner of Morocco, whose resignation was announced in Madrid after receipt of the news that the native guard and his officers at Tetuan had been fired at by the Republican demonstrators.

King Alfonso Ousted in Paris.

PARIS, April 16. King Alfonso, looking haggard, stepped out of the train at the Gare de Lyons at 11.10 p.m. into a maelstrom of shrieking Spanish and French monarchists.

He sportingly faced the serious risk of injury as he was carried, twisted, twined and finally pushed into his motor-car.

Probably he was the only man among the huge crowd who successfully kept his head, certainly he was one of the few who kept his hat.

After the General Elections We Shall See.

"Believe me, it needed more courage to do what I have done than to lead a cavalry charge," was the striking declaration of King Alfonso, talking to members of the *Le Figaro*, before entraining for Paris.

He added, cryptically, "After the general elections, we shall see."

King and Queen Cheered.

LATER. More ovations are inevitable before the reunited monarchs are permitted to have *teé-dé-té* and to exchange news of the past exhausting hours.

Tremendous crowds surrounded the hotel and cheered until King Alfonso appeared in the gallery. The crowds became delirious when the Queen appeared by her husband's side.

Summer-time Cancelled.

MADRID, April 16. One of the first acts of the new Government has been to publish a decree cancelling the institution of summer time in Spanish territory.

Rioting at Barcelona.

BARCELONA, April 16. There was much rioting all night long here, but the city is now quiet.

Military planes this morning flew over the city, showing the Republican flag, which has also been hoisted by a portion of the fleet in the harbour.

BANDITS CAPTURE FOREIGNER.

DEMAND FOR RANSOM OF \$2,500.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEIPING, April 12.

Mrs. Lindholm has wired from Kalgan stating that bandits captured her husband, Mr. A. G. Lindholm, near Pootouchon yesterday afternoon and are demanding \$2,500 before Saturday.

Mr. Lindholm belongs to the Scandinavian Alliance Mission of North America.

The American Legation has telegraphed to the Chairman of Sun-yuan to do everything possible to effect his rescue.

The Legation may send someone to assist in the rescue, as was done in the case of Mrs. Hayward.

JAPAN'S SHARE OF BOXER INDEMNITY.

LIKELY TO BE RETURNED.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

NANKING, April 17.

According to information elicited from diplomatic circles, the Japanese Government is determined to return to China the remaining part of the Japanese portion of the Boxer fund, and has unofficially suggested that the returned fund be devoted to the development of China's aviation enterprises and encouragement of Sino-Japanese cultural studies.

BUSINESS TAX AT HANKOW AND WUCHANG.

PROTEST FROM FOREIGN CONSULS.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

HANKOW, April 17.

The imposition of the business tax in Hankow and Wuchang has begun. However, as the tax is applied to all lines of business, foreign and Chinese, its imposition is arousing diplomatic trouble.

The American and French Consuls at Hankow wrote to the Nanking Chinese authorities protesting against the imposition of the tax on their merchants.

The Nanking Government, referring the matter to the Nanking Government, is requesting the latter to take up the case with the American and French Ministers.

BANDIT MENACE IN S.W. FUKIEN.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

NANKING, April 17.

The bandit Communists under the command of Chu and Mao have been besieging in eastern Kiangsi by Government troops for the past two weeks.

According to the latest message they appear to be forcing their way across the Fukien border.

A report from Fukien confirmed this, and also alleges that the reported invasion of bandit-Communists is placing the inhabitants of Ku-Cheng and Cheng-Ting in a state of alarm, a large number of them having deserted the two cities.

KING GEORGE'S PROGRESS.

BRIEF WALK-IN CASTLE GROUNDS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 16.

For the first time since Good Friday, His Majesty the King left his apartments at Windsor Castle for a short time to-day, but he did not leave the grounds of the Castle.

ROYAL TOUR OF SOUTH AMERICA.

FAREWELL SALUTES AT PERNAMBUCO.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LONDON, April 16.

Reuter's representative aboard the steamer *Arizana* wireless that the shore battery at Recife, Pernambuco, crashed out a farewell salute, while vessels in harbour sounded their sirens, as the vessel steamed out for Europe, taking the Prince of Wales and Prince George at the conclusion of their memorable tour of South America.

STEAMER CAUGHT IN ICE FLOE.

OVER FIVE HUNDRED ABOARD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, April 17.

The steamer *Gensan Maru*, chartered by the Soviet Government, carrying 412 Russians and 140 Japanese fishermen from Hakodate to Kamchatka, has wireless stated that the vessel has been caught in an ice floe since the 14th inst., and is unable to extricate herself.

Though the vessel's position is precarious, there is apparently no immediate danger, and provisions are reported to be plentiful.

INDIA'S NEW VICEROY.

CIVIC WELCOME AT BOMBAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, April 17.

The new Viceroy, Lord Willingdon, and Lady Willingdon arrived and received a civic welcome at the "Gateway of India."

They drove amid cheering crowds to Government House.

LORD IRWIN-GANDHI INTERVIEW.

MAHATMA TAKES VOW OF SILENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, April 16.

On the conclusion of a two hours' interview with Lord Irwin here, Gandhi, pursued by Pressmen, hurried to his residence and took a vow of silence.

Lord Irwin, subsequently replying to a farewell address by the Millowners' Association, said he knew Gandhi was doing his best to implement the Delhi pact, but he was unable to conceal from himself that much remained to be done.

At a congress between Gandhi and mill-owners from Bombay, Ahmedabad and Baroda, this morning, it was decided to appoint an executive committee to work out Gandhi's scheme for re-exportation of foreign cloth.

LORD IRWIN APPEALS FOR MINORITIES.

OFFERS PERSONAL ADVICE TO HINDUS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 16.

Lord Willingdon, who will succeed Lord Irwin as Viceroy of India, lands at Bombay to-morrow. He will be met by Lord Irwin, with whom he will have an opportunity of consultation before the latter sails for England, on the following day.

The great respect and admiration felt by the Indian community for Lord Irwin has been shown, and during the last week or two he has received innumerable farewell addresses, and has been the guest of honour at gatherings in which his services in India have been recognised.

When to-day Lord Irwin received a Muslim address he made a strong appeal to the Hindus to allay the fears of the smaller communities.

He said: "It is certain that no political society can prosper or be at peace within itself unless the minorities are reasonably satisfied with their conditions. If, as I believe is the case, there is widespread apprehension on the part of the minorities, and if I may offer a word of personal advice, I would say the only wise course for a majority community is to recognise frankly those questions, and whatever they may be, to adjust them and to be prepared to give to the minorities the reassurance they desire."

CHANG HSUEH LIANG LEAVES MUKDEN FOR PEIPING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MUKDEN, April 17.

Chang Hsueh Liang left for Peiping to-night to establish his headquarters as Vice-Commander-in-Chief, accompanied by his staff.

FIDUCIARY NOTES BILL.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANBERRA, April 17.

The death-knell to the Government's inflation programme was sounded, as a new political crisis has arisen through the Senate's rejection to-day by 21 votes to 9 of the Government's Fiduciary Notes Bill (for expansion of the currency by £3,000,000).

The dissolution of both Houses is likely to follow within three months, as the Bill will immediately be sent back to the Senate, and Mr. Scullin recently announced that if rejected twice within the statutory three months he would seek a double dissolution.

As a result of its defeat the Government dropped the Wheat Bill (for £20,000,000 loans to the wheat growers), which depends for finance on the Fiduciary Notes Bill.

National Situation Desperate.

Mr. Latham has resigned the leadership of the Opposition in order to allow the former Acting Treasurer, Mr. Lyons (who is lending the unity movement to get "back to same government") to lead the united Opposition party.

The resignation followed a disclosure that Mr. Theodore had challenged the right of the Commonwealth Bank to cut off money supplies to the Government.

This convinced Mr. Latham that the national situation was desperate, necessitating Opposition unity at any cost.

Mr. Lyons has accepted the leadership. The disclosure was made by Mr. Theodore, speaking in the House of Representatives, when he referred to the Commonwealth Bank's ultimatum of April 11, drawing attention to the increasing burden of the Government's overdraft, and declaring that the point had been reached beyond which it was impossible for the Bank to further financially assist the Government.

AUSTRALIA'S WAR DEBT REDUCTION.

GREAT BRITAIN'S ACTION CHEERED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 16.

Cheers from both Parties in the Australian House of Representatives at Canberra to-day greeted the announcement by the Premier, Mr. Scullin, that Britain had agreed to a reduction in the payment of Australia's war indebtedness during the next two years.

LIVESTOCK BY AIR PARCELS SERVICE.

LONDON-PARIS BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 16.

Urgent freight, including livestock, will be carried on the new evening air parcels service being started by the Imperial Airways between London and Paris on May 1.

PARIS-SAIGON FLIGHT.

PRINCE BIBESCO CRASHES IN INDIA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, April 17.

Prince George Bibesco crashed between Orya and Allahabad. A telegram from Paris on April 9 stated that a large party at 6.25 that morning wished "God Speed" to Prince George Bibesco, President of the International Aeronautical Federation, accompanied by two Roumanian pilots and a British mechanic, on starting on a flight to Saigon.

The machine is named "Comte de Lavauville" after the ex-President of the Federation, who was killed in a crash in the United States last year.

All Occupants Injured.

All four occupants of Prince Bibesco's plane are seriously hurt. Only Prince Bibesco has regained consciousness.

RIOTING IN UPPER EGYPT.

CLASH BETWEEN POLICE AND DEMONSTRATORS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, April 17.

One demonstrator was killed, three were wounded and seven otherwise injured, and 13 policemen slightly injured in a riot at Dekernes, Upper Egypt.

A train bearing a number of notable people to Mansura to attend a reception in honour of the Prime Minister was stopped and stoned by a mob and the passengers were forced to alight.

Police reinforcements were summoned, but meanwhile the crowd detached the engine and blocked the line.

The police, who were greeted with a volley of stones, fired on and dispersed the demonstrators.

RUBBER PRODUCTION RESTRICTION.

NEW ASSOCIATION WITH GOOD PROSPECTS FORMED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMSTERDAM, April 16.

A meeting of rubber growers, representing a total annual production of 50,000 tons of rubber produced in the Dutch East Indies and German rubber, decided to form a new association to promote the restriction of rubber production.

The newspaper *Handelsblad* has learned from an authoritative quarter that the British Rubber Growers' Association has circulated 130 British and Indian rubber growers inviting them to co-operate in a form of restriction.

Ninety-two growers, representing an annual production of 46,000 tons from a total of British and Indian production of 68,000 tons, have replied favourably to the proposal, and consequently the total rubber production which the new Association will represent will be 111,000 tons.

An official communiqué regarding the Rubber Growers' meeting states that producers of about 64,000 tons are represented, of whom the producers of about 34,000 tons have agreed to the Association's constitution and purpose.

The producers of 15,000 tons and 12,000 tons voted against it, while the producers and manufacturers who use their produce in their own factories amounting to 2,700 tons abstained.

The whole of the Dutch East Indies production for 1929 forthcoming in companies under European administration amounted to over 15,000 tons.

Including provisional agreement promised from British producers in order to achieve legal regulation for restriction, the Dutch East Indies supporters of restriction control are about 80,000 tons.

The decision of producers of 40,000 tons was unknown during the meeting.

BRITISH DUTY ON FOREIGN TEA.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY DECLINES TO BE "DRAWN."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 16.

On the ground that since 1910 the imports of foreign tea into Great Britain had more than doubled while imports of Empire tea had remained practically stationary, Sir Alfred Knox, in the House of Commons, asked if the Chancellor of the Exchequer would consider an import duty on foreign tea.

Mr. Pethick-Lawrence, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, replying, declined to anticipate the Budget, but said that Sir Alfred Knox's figures and facts were incorrect.

NEW U.S. BANKING INSTITUTION.

TO FINANCE FOREIGN TRADE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 16.

Plans have been completed for a banking institution unique among American banks to finance foreign trade.

The concern is backed by the biggest manufacturers and exporters in the country, and it proposes among other things to originate new varieties of bankers' acceptances under charter from the Federal Reserve Board.

COUNTER-MEASURE AGAINST ECONOMIC PESSIMISTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, April 16.

The intention of the companies to build four 10,000-ton combined passenger and cargo steamers, as a necessary counter-measure against the economic pessimists, was announced at a combined general meeting of the Hamburg, American and North German Lloyd Companies.

It was pointed out that it is essential to fight "in a united spirit against the feeling of fear which has seized the world."

The Chairman of the North German Lloyd said that while there was still no indication of a tendency towards improvement, he believed that the lowest point in the crisis had been reached.

VOTE OF CENSURE ON GOVERNMENT.

FAILURE TO FULFIL ELECTION PLEDGES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 16.

The House of Commons was crowded and excited this afternoon when Mr. Stanley Baldwin moved a Conservative vote of censure on the Government for failing to fulfil its election pledges in regard to unemployment, which may decide the fate of the Government. The public galleries were packed, many Peers being present.

Mr. Baldwin's attack on the Government was unusually vigorous. He asserted that the Government had not only lost the confidence of the country, but had lost confidence in itself.

Mr. Tom Johnston, the new Lord Privy Seal, the Chief Government spokesman, dwelt on the steps taken by the Government to combat unemployment and blamed the Lords for "assassinating" the Government's Education Bill.

He emphasised that the inability of the Dominions to take further emigrants had increased the difficulties of unemployment, in connection with which he pointed out that the trouble lay especially in the export trades, where only international action could provide a remedy.

Mr. Johnston dwelt on the success of the British Empire Exhibition in Buenos Aires in promoting sales of agricultural and other machinery and motor cars.

Labourites cheered Mr. Johnston's speech, after which the Liberals walked out bodily and discussed the speech.

The result of the meeting showed 28 Liberals against supporting the vote of censure.

Seven favoured supporting it and eight favoured abstention. This should ensure a Government majority to-night.

Appeal to Country.

Mr. Feeney Brodway and Mr. Lloyd George announced that the Independent Labour Party group and the Lloyd George Liberals, respectively, would vote against the motion.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald indicated that if the motion were passed the Government would appeal to the country.

Motion Defeated.

The House of Commons defeated the Conservative motion of censure regarding unemployment. The voting was as follows:—

For 251
Against 205
Majority 54

IRISH HOSPITALS' SWEEP.

AMERICAN PRIZE-WINNER TO ESCAPE TAXATION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

BUFFALO CITY, April 16.

The U.S. Treasury will not benefit from the big prize won by Mr. Clayton, of Buffalo, in the Irish Hospitals' Sweep on the Grand National, according to the decision of the legal adviser, who held that the Gregalach ticket was exempted from taxation on the ground that the wealth was acquired from sources outside the State.

Mr. Clayton won \$17,275, taking second prize, and it was thought that he would have to pay \$40,000 in income tax.

H.A.L. AND N.D.L. COMPANIES.

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SECOND AGGREGATE STAKES.

PROSPECT OF A FINE RACE AHEAD: CAN
APOLLO STAY THE DISTANCE?

SOME TIPS AND SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

[By "MORNING DEW."]

The weather during the past fortnight has been far from ideal, and it is certain that whatever happens, times at Happy Valley this afternoon, when the Jockey Club will be holding their Third Extra Race Meeting, will be on the slow side.

A very lengthy and varied programme has been arranged and chief interest, no doubt, will be centred on the Second Aggregate Stakes in which the best ponies in the Colony are likely to start. This race is dealt with in detail below.

April Stakes.

The opening race on the card should provide a good struggle between Redskins and Vamoose, and although the latter has done better than Redskins in the past, I have a feeling that Redskins will do the trick this afternoon. Aencia Leaf has so far disappointed, but may redeem himself if he gets going early enough. Vamoose is fast off the tape but I fear he is up against a big job as six furlongs is just a little bit too long for him. Redskins will probably be taken out by Mr. Heard and for six-furlong races could not be better served in the jockey department.

Morrison Hill Handicap (Second Division).

This race over a mile ought to draw a big field of classy ponies. Boxing Eve should just about manage it as he likes the going better than the others. Jill is very fit at the moment and if taken to the post should be a good each way bet. Vasylock made a great show against King's Bounty a fortnight ago and may upset calculations to-day. He is certainly a good place bet as is Royal Flush. The latter is handicapped at 145 pounds and there is no telling what this pony might put up with so slight an imposition.

Boa Vista Handicap (First Division).

It is no easy task to make selection from 40 entries but on past performance there is no reason why Frigillery should not do the trick in this event. He is comfortably weighted and unless he is stuck at the starting gate, should be prominent all the way. Leveret appears to have a good opportunity of establishing himself here. I like his chances very much but he has been so disappointing in the past that I hesitate to tip him to win. Of the others, one pony that is shaping very well in training is Mount Elburz and one can do very much more than take a place ticket on this pony. The same remarks apply to Cloudy Eve.

Second New Aggregate Stakes.

This event is over a mile and a half to-day. It should provide one of the best struggles seen in the Colony for a long time. I hear that Apollo is starting and as he has never done a mile and a half in a race in Hong Kong, he is an unknown quantity. Sitting Bull who lost by a short head to Gay Crusader in a race two weeks ago, which took 3.06.1 will start again, this time with about fifteen pounds less on the saddle. He ought to make a good show. Gay Crusader, if he can repeat his 3.06.1 will make things hum. King's Bounty is also a likely starter here. He has speed and can stay and might prove a surprise packet. He accounted for Apollo over a mile and a quarter at the Annual Meeting and if well ridden to-day may bring his followers a handsome dividend. Altogether a very good race is ahead of us. I think Apollo will bring home the bacon as Mr. Frost can handle him well. Gay Crusader ought to account for Sitting Bull again as 3.06.1 is a very fast time and Sitting Bull is not likely to lower that to-day.

Morrison Hill Handicap (First Division).

With only four entries here the field will probably be Glencroagh and Hotman as King's Bounty and Sitting Bull will probably go for the "Aggregate." Glencroagh beat Hotman over seven furlongs at their last meeting, but Hotman will probably reverse the result to-day.

Boa Vista Handicap.

Noukhail won so easily over the mile on his last outing that it is not likely that he will be beaten in this event to-day. Both Groombridge and Happy Choice are likely to run close to Noukhail but the possibility of their beating Noukhail is extremely small. However, if anything is going to upset Noukhail it will be more likely to be Groombridge than Happy Choice.

St. George's Plate.

Here is a very fine race with the two best ponies, King's Service and Fortune Bay at top weight. I don't think either will account for the race. Gold Key looks like the bet here, and as the animal is shaping very well at the moment he looks as if he will win the event. Wonderful Stag has been improving by leaps and bounds since the Annual Meeting and he will undoubtedly put up the biggest opposition. An each way bet on him might prove profitable and both this pony and Gold Key will make a good showing against the more heavily weighted candidates. Valorous is shaping very promising in training and if you are looking for a sturdy little performer to pay you an outsider's dividend, have a shot at him.

Morrison Hill Handicap (Third Division).

After his good run a fortnight ago, this race looks a "cinch" for Daylight Eve and he is sure to be hot favourite if saddled for this event. The pony is in tip-top condition and there is nothing among the entries to extend him. San Francisco and Winsome Stag are two other good performers in this race and with the last named at 145 pounds, anything might happen as he has in the past shown speed enough to make him a formidable rival to the favourite. The pony appears to suffer from moods, but if he wants to run to-day, he will take a lot of beating. San Francisco too, is looking well at the moment and I would advise punters to keep an eye on him. If the odds are long enough, a ticket on this pony might not be unwise.

Kelley Handicap (Second Division).

For this race, the field is bound to be big and over a mile and a quarter, Tunney and Britannia Hall appear to have the best chance especially the latter, as he ran quite well at the last meeting. I think Tunney is going to make him go all out and a good struggle in the straight is promised. Morning Star is here too and has only 140 pounds to look after and might repay his backers once again. He won on the post on the last occasion, but Mr. Frost is naturally not going to cut things quite so fine this time and the pony is sure to figure among the vanguard most of the way. He is a real danger to both Britannia Hall and Tunney. There is a strong belief in some quarters that Miasmis, which beat The Grouse over a mile and a quarter at the Annual Meeting, is going to account for this event. Candidly, I don't think so, though events might prove that I am wrong.

Kelley Handicap (First Division).

If Valorous does not start out in an earlier race, I think he can comfortably win this one as the opposition does not appear to be too strong. Lobster Bay has performed consistently in the past, but has yet to win this season and might do so to-day, though I do not like his chances. If Valorous starts, Mike is a good entry here but with 101 on the saddle, the pony is making a concession of 10 pounds to Valorous and that is a good deal.

Gosford Handicap: One Mile.

The races close with an event for the Australians, and here Evening Star is down to carry top weight. I think he will win in spite of this. Fritz running at 158 pounds is a real danger and if Evening Star proves too hot a favourite I should advise those willing to take a chance to try Fritz, Thunderclap or Queen Regent.

SELECTIONS.

The selections for to-day are as follows:—

Race 1.

Redskins.
Vamoose.
Aencia Leaf.

Race 2.

Boxing Eve.
Jill.
Vasylock.

Race 3.

Fritillery.
Leveret.
Mount Elburz.

Race 4.

Apollo.
Gay Crusader.
Sitting Bull.

Race 5.

Hotman.
Glencroagh.

Race 6.

Noukhail.
Happy Choice.
Groombridge.

Race 7.

Gold Key.
Wonderful Stag.
Holly Leaf.

Race 8.

Daylight Eve.
Winsome Stag.
San Francisco.

Race 9.

Britannia Hall.
Tunney.
Morning Star.

Race 10.

Valorous.
Mike.
Lobster Bay.

Race 11.

Evening Star.
Fritz.
St. Moritz.

HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

The following is the programme of football fixtures in the English and Scottish Leagues for to-day:—

Division I.

Arsenal	v.	Liverpool.
Birmingham	v.	Wednesday.
Blackburn	v.	Middlesbrough.
Blackpool	v.	Huddersfield.
Derby	v.	Manchester U.
Leeds	v.	Aston Villa.
Leicester	v.	Newcastle.
Manchester C.	v.	West Ham.
Portsmouth	v.	Bolton.
Sheffield U.	v.	Grimsby.
Sunderland	v.	Chelsea.

Division II.

Barnsley	v.	Notts Forest.
Bradford C.	v.	Millwall.
Bristol C.	v.	Tottenham.
Bury	v.	Southampton.
Cardiff	v.	Preston N.E.
Charlton	v.	Oldham.
Everton	v.	Burnley.
Plymouth	v.	Reading.
Port Vale	v.	Stoke.
Swansea	v.	Wolves.
West Brom.	v.	Bradford.

Division III. (Southern).

Bournemouth	v.	Brentford.
Clapton O.	v.	Luton.
Coventry	v.	Brighton.
Fulham	v.	Torquay.
Norwich	v.	Newport.
Notts C.	v.	Southend.
Queen's P.R.	v.	Gillingham.
Swindon	v.	Northampton.
Thames	v.	Bristol R.
Walsall	v.	Exeter.
Watford	v.	Crystal P.

Division III. (Northern).

Hartlington	v.	Accrington.
Doncaster	v.	Carlisle.
Gateshead	v.	Framper.
Halifax	v.	Rochdale.
Hartlepool	v.	Chesterfield.
Hull	v.	York.
Lincoln	v.	Rotherham.
Nelson	v.	Southport.
New Brighton	v.	Crowe.
Stockport	v.	Wrexham.
Wigan	v.	Barrow.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen	v.	Clyde.
Ayr	v.	St. Mirren.
Celtic	v.	Airdrie.
Cowdenbenth	v.	Motherwell.
East Fife	v.	Queen's Park.
Hamilton	v.	Falkirk.
Hearts	v.	Partick.
Kilmarnock	v.	Morton.
Leith	v.	Dundee.
Rangers	v.	Hibernians.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

CHARITY CUP FINAL FOR DECISION.

SCOTLAND AND CHINA.

League football matches, of which two in the First Division are on the programme to-day, will hold little interest as Scotland and China are due to meet during the afternoon in the final of the Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition, which should prove a great attraction.

The match will be played on the Club ground, Happy Valley, kick-off at 4.30 p.m. Len, Sign, Archer will have charge of the game. Mrs. Wodhouse, wife of the Vice-President of the H.K.F.A., will present the trophy to the winners.

Scotland entered the final by defeating England two goals to nil, while China qualified with a six goal to one victory over Portugal. A large crowd may be expected to see an interesting struggle between two representative teams for the Cup.

League Matches.

In the First Division of the League, the Navy and Club do Revere will play the return match at the Stadium, kick-off at 4.30 p.m. In the earlier match the Navy were awarded the points owing to the Revere's inability to turn out a team, and if the present match comes off at all the Navy will be favourites for the points.

The South Wales Borderers and the Police meet on the Kowloon F.C. ground. When the Somerset, predecessors of the Borderers, met the Police during the middle of November, they won by the only goal of the match. On the present strength of the teams, the Borderers should win. Kick-off time is at 4 p.m.

Eastern, who won in the Second Division by two goals to one against the University, are playing their return game on the Club ground at 2.30 p.m., and this will be a good curtain-raiser for the big match of the afternoon. Eastern have a better record in the League where they were once strong rivals for the top place. They have fallen off towards the end of the season, but it is likely that they will recover their form to take the points from the University.

There are no other League matches on the programme for the afternoon.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

DISAPPOINTING WEEK.

PROGRAMME AGAIN REVISED.

There was no play yesterday in the H.K.C.C. Tennis Championships.

Another revised programme has been drawn up, the principal matches of which have been scheduled to be decided on the following days.

MONDAY.

M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo v. Ho Ka Lai and Yew Man Kit.
P. Kong and W. T. Lee v. Iu Tak Cheuk and H. Lo.

TUESDAY.

C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassimboy v. winners of the tie P. Kong and W. T. Lee v. Iu Tak Cheuk and H. Lo.

WEDNESDAY.

E. C. Fincher v. M. W. Lo.

FRIDAY.

C. A. L. Rumjahn v. S. A. Rumjahn.

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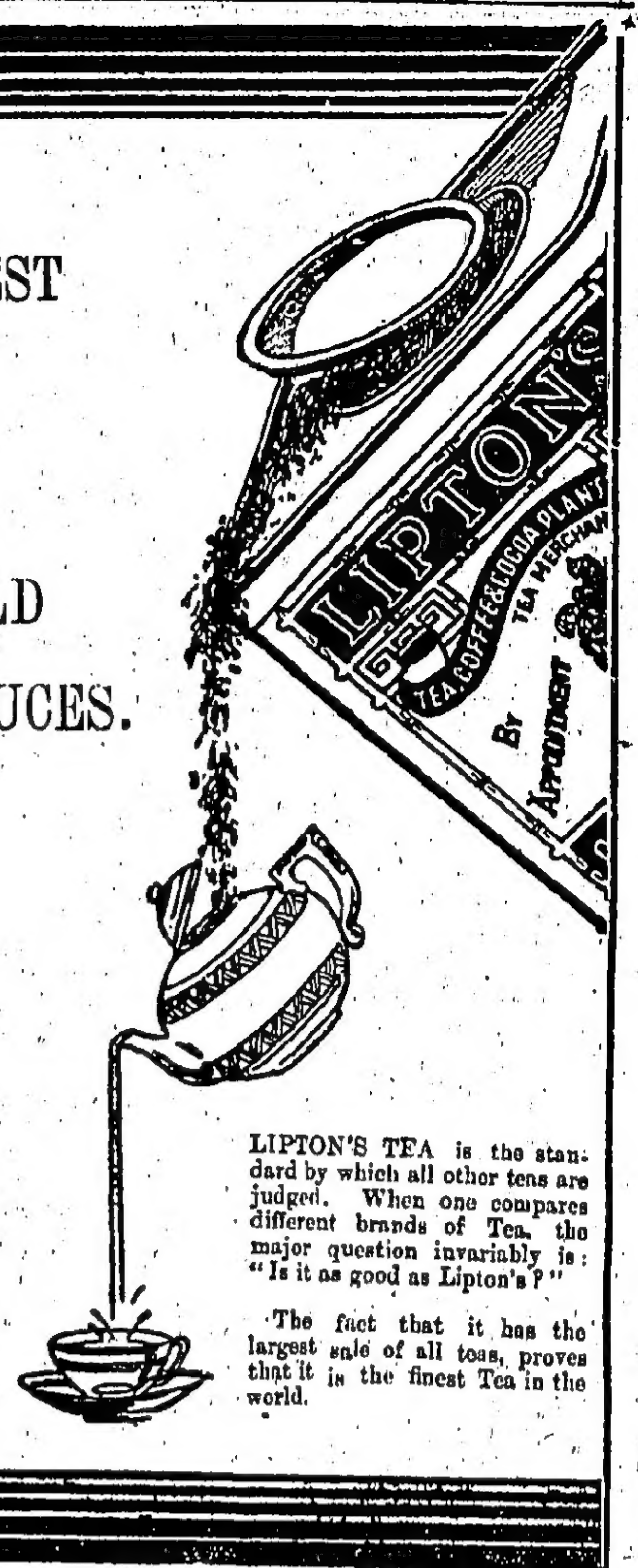
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9.10 a.m.	Not to be booked by those travelling by train.
9.20 "	W. W. MacKenzie and G. Johnston.
9.24 "	W. S. Ellis and G. Thomson.
9.28 "	J. H. Penn and J. R. Collis.
9.32 "	W. N. Buyers and W. A. Wright.
9.36 "	B. D. Evans and D. H. McDougall.
9.40 "	J. H. Davy and M. N. Cochrane.
9.44 "	C. Mycock and J. Forbes.
9.48 "	A. C. I. Bowker and D. F. C. Cleland.
9.52 "	F. C. Young and J. Nicholson.
9.56 "	T. Low and R. C. Law.
10.00 "	I. D. Lenox and J. W. Alabaster.
10.04 "	J. E. H. Cognn and E. Lowe.
10.08 "	J. R. Hinton and W. Wright.
10.12 "	K. K. Rounds and R. Sanger.
10.16 "	G. Castle and W. Paterson.
10.20 "	P. S. Grant and J. B. Lanyon.
10.24 "	N. K. Littlejohn and J. S. Dykes.
10.28 "	A. Ritchie and R. Young.
10.32 "	P. Sykes and T. C. Monaghan.
10.36 "	A. N. Macfayden and Q. A. A. Macfayden.
10.40 "	R. S. W. Paterson and J. G. Campbell.
10.44 "	A. G. Coppin and S. A. Langton.
10.48 "	J. H. Raikes and I. O. Hight.
10.52 "	C. Bounphrey and N. Brown.
10.56 "	O. Eager and A. D. Humphreys.
11.00 "	A. H. Ferguson and A. B. Raworth.
11.04 "	R. W. Taplin and C. B. Tardre.
11.08 "	W. R. Vallance and D. G. H. Robertson.
11.12 "	F. H. Crapnell and E. Sommers.
11.16 "	G. W. Garrett and P. S. Cassidy.
11.20 "	J. R. Masson and E. J. Muso.
11.24 "	A. Leach and D. S. Robb.
11.28 "	A. W. Hay Edio and H. S. Clippindale.

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BOXING.

HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE MATCH ARRANGED.

(REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.)

New York, April 16.

A championship fight has now been arranged between Jack Sharkey and Primo Carnora to take place either in New York or in New Jersey on June 10.

The New York Commission today absolved Carnora from all his sins and received him back into the fold after a year's suspension.

His appearances in the ring were previously banned, following allegations by Chevalier, one of his negro opponents, that he had been approached before the fight with a proposal that he should lose.

It will be recalled that his seconds threw in the towel when Chevalier was not in the least distressed.

The Commission will regard the winner of the Carnora-Sharkey fight as the heavyweight champion of the world, in spite of the Stribling-Schmeling fight which is fixed for July 3.

Meanwhile, the Italian Federation yesterday increased the fine imposed on Carnora in November for failing to make an appearance at an exhibition bout in Bologna from £100 to £200.

Carnora, however, treats this action with contempt while he is eking in the dollars.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

GREEK DEFEATS AUSTRIAN IN FIRST ROUND.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

Athens, April 16.

The Davis Cup (first round) contest between Greece and Austria commenced at Athens today. Zepheridis (Greece) defeating Artens (Austria) by three sets to one after a strenuous battle.

Artens took the first set at 6-1, lost the second at 6-3, and then again completely dominated the play, winning the third at 6-1.

Leading by two sets to one, Artens seemed well set, but Zepheridis drew level taking the fourth and 6-2, and then ran out a good winner after a keen fifth set. Six all was called at one stage, and Zepheridis won the next two games for set and match.

A second singles is being played to-morrow.

CRICKET.

CLUB TEAM FOR TO-DAY.

The following have been selected to represent the Club against the Army to-morrow on the Club ground:—

H. Owen Hughes, A. C. J. Bowker, A. C. Beck, A. Reid, E. H. Duckitt, K. H. Baker, O. G. Simpson, O. B. Smith, H. J. Armstrong, G. E. R. Divett and G. C. Moutrie.

CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.

APRIL 19, 1931, Second Sunday After Easter:—

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church) at 8 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Matins and Sermon at 11 a.m.
Fosterer:—The Dean.
Holy Communion at 12.15 p.m.
Evening at 6 p.m.
Fosterer:—Rev. H. V. Koop.

MONDAY, April 20th, 1931:—

Victoria Diocesan Missionary Association. "At Home," Helena May Institute.
Tea at 4.30 p.m.
Address by Miss F. C. Woo, M.B.E., Headmistress of St. Paul's Girls' College at 5.15 p.m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

(Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, U.S.A.)
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SUNDAY SERVICE, April 19, 1931, at 11.15 a.m.:—
Subject:—DOCTRINE OF ATONEMENT.
The Sunday School is held on Sunday Mornings at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m.
Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon; Monday and Thursday, 5.30 to 7 p.m.
The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the Reading Room.

HONG KONG SHARE MARKET.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts' weekly share report dated yesterday states:—

A better tone has developed in the local share market since the date of our last circular. Business has been on a more generous scale than for some time past and in spite of a good deal of profit taking, prices for both investment and speculative shares have in most cases advanced. There is more money forthcoming for investment so that the appreciation in value is likely to be maintained.

Banks.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks, notwithstanding the drop in the London price to £109 (Middle), have remained steady and sales were again made at \$2,050. At the close shares are obtainable at \$2,040.

Marine and Fire Insurance.—Unions were dealt in fair quantities at \$335 and close in demand at \$333. Cantons have strengthened and were placed up to \$1,400. Chinese Fires are wanted at \$525.

Hong Kong Fires at \$1,300 have attracted little or no attention. Underwriters have been the medium of a fair turnover all \$1.40 to \$5.

Shipping.—There have been dealings in Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamships at \$201. Douglas Steamships again displayed further weakness and were lowered during the week with sales at \$21.

Waterbuts at \$35 have not moved. Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves are firmer and saw quite a fair business around \$161. China Providents after having risen to \$5.45 eased off to \$5.35.

The New shares were booked at \$21. Sales were reported of Whampoa Docks at \$29. There are buyers of Shanghai Docks at Tls. 113. Hongkew Wharves have spurred to Tls. 300.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong Lands were again negotiated at \$84 and \$85. Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, under an unsatisfied enquiry, have advanced to \$14.40 ex the dividend of 50 cents just paid, and a fair number of shares were taken off the market. Realty have hardened and were dealt in to a considerable extent up to \$11.90 ex the final dividend of 20 cents just paid. Humphreys Estates were sold at \$15 up to \$16.40. Shanghai Lands are on offer at Tls. 42.

Public Utilities.—Hong Kong Electric after sales at \$78 have risen to \$79. Hong Kong Trams were bid up to \$17.00. A large business has been reported in "Star" Ferries at \$62/00 and at the latter rate they continue in request. China Lights were done at \$25 at the outset, but owing to a good deal of "bear" covering, promptly advanced to \$26. Telephones (partly paid) have been dealt in only to a small extent, but have been a strong market, closing with buyers at \$45. The Fully Paid shares have appreciated to \$54.

Miscellaneous.—A further substantial advance has been established in Cements in which a large business has been done at from \$17 to \$18.00 for cash and corresponding rates forward. They close easier at \$18.30. Hong Kong Ropes have had a smart recovery and were bought up to \$15, but closed a bit below the best. China Entertainments were realised again at \$19. Dairy Farms show a further improvement with buyers at \$26 after transactions at this rate. Constructions were realised at \$5.50/00. Malabars were done at \$39. Lane, Crawford's fetched \$54 and \$55. Amusements have continued their rise and business has been done up to \$27 and \$24 for the Old and New shares, respectively. There are sellers of Hong Kong Government Loan at 9 per cent. premium.

Mining.—Business was recorded in Venezuela Goldfields at \$3.50 and there are further buyers. Benguet are enquired for at \$8. Kailans have reacted further to \$1/9.

Cotton Mills.—Ewas were again placed at Tls. \$14, but the undertone is firmer. Shanghai Cottons are a trifle easier with buyers at Tls. 107. Zoong Singa at Tls. 11.00 have not moved.

Rubber.—London advised that the price of Plantation Rubber is 8d per lb. Latest cable quotations from Shanghai are as follows:—

Buyers.
Anglo-Javas Tls. 5.00
Anglo-Dutch 5.00
Batu Anans 0.55
Chemors 0.50
Consolidated 1.20
Kroovocks 1.20
Renaiss 0.50
Tanah Merah 0.50
Tobongs 1.30
Ziangles 4.50

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London is 11/1d, and on Shanghai 77. Forward Settlement Days—April 23, May 23, and June 24.

FERRY ACCIDENT INQUIRY.

DEATH FROM MISADVENTURE.

The inquiry was concluded yesterday before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Police Court, into the death of a Chinese girl, aged 13 years, who was killed as the result of a ferry launch running into Yaumati Pier on March 22, just after midnight.

A Chinese engineer of the ferry launch stated in evidence that on the previous trip to the accident, the engines had responded perfectly to the order "go astern." Coming back from Hong Kong to Yaumati the engines were working well until the order to go astern came. Witness put the lever over, but the engines would not respond.

Mr. R. Hall, a Government Marine Surveyor, stated that he went on board the launch soon after the accident, and examined the engine room. So far as he could tell there must have been a mechanical fault. He didn't think that the engineer could have remedied the fault at the time.

Mr. C. Hamilton, a Government Marine Surveyor, said that on March 24 he went on board the launch. He tried the reversing engine, and found it satisfactory. He took the launch out for a run, and after constantly reversing backwards and forward, could find nothing wrong. He could suggest three possible reasons for the accident, the third being the most likely reason:

1.—The steam coming from over the valve when it should have come from under the valve.
2.—The locking device might have been screwed up.
3.—The presence of water in the reversing engine or steam pipe.

Finally he thought it was an accident that might happen without serious blame accruing to anyone.

Mr. B. E. S. Purvis, consulting engineer to the Ferry Launch Company, said that the cause of the accident when this same vessel crashed in July last was quite different to this accident. He was quite in agreement with Mr. C. Hamilton as to the possible reasons for the accident.

The jury brought in a verdict of death from misadventure.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada (from Manila) is due here at 8 a.m. on April 23 (Wednesday), and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu, at noon on April 25.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.
Hong Kong Observatory, April 17.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer...	29.62	29.78	29.66
Temperature...	82	79	73
Humidity...	83	91	76
Wind—			
Direction...	S	SSW	SSW
Force...	3	2	1
Weather...	OD	OD N	O
Rain...	0.17	0.00	0.13

Highest open-air Temperature, 18.8; Lowest open-air Temperature, 17.7.

B—Blue sky; C—Cloudy; D—Drizzle; F—Fog; L—Lightning; M—Mist; O—Overcast; P—Passing showers; Q—Squalls; R—Rain; T—Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 19 to 24, 1931.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Day	Time	Day	Time
Sat. 18	10 10	Sun. 19	10 10
Sun. 19	10 10	Mon. 20	10 28
Mon. 20	10 28	Tues. 21	10 50
Tues. 21	10 50	Wed. 22	11 19
Wed. 22	11 19	Thur. 23	11 51
Thur. 23	11 51	Fri. 24	12 35

Buyers.
Anglo-Javas Tls. 5.00
Anglo-Dutch 5.00
Batu Anans 0.55
Chemors 0.50
Consolidated 1.20
Kroovocks 1.20
Renaiss 0.50
Tanah Merah 0.50
Tobongs 1.30
Ziangles 4.50

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London is 11/1d, and on Shanghai 77. Forward Settlement Days—April 23, May 23, and June 24.

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NICARAGUAN RISING.

HOOVER ADMINISTRATION
CHANGE OF POLICY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 19.

The present rising in Nicaragua, and the loss of American lives there, is drawing attention to a great change of policy in respect of Nicaragua and Latin America generally by the Hoover administration, which seems determined to make it plain that American business men must entrust themselves to the laws of foreign countries, and be less ready to appeal for American intervention.

It was under the Coolidge administration that American intervention reached its height.

After consultation with the State and Navy Departments, the United States Government has decided that in future armed forces will be employed in the Caribbean with marked circumspection, states the Washington correspondent of the *Herald-Tribune*.

It is believed that this policy will have far-reaching importance so far as the relations between the United States and Central America are concerned.

American military strength will be used to protect American lives; but will not be involved in campaigns to protect American property, although specific instances and changing circumstances will alter the line of official action. Nicaragua, or any other Central American country, will be asked to bear the full responsibility for maintaining order.

WORLD SWIMMING
RECORDS BROKEN.FRENCH CHAMPION SETS UP
NEW FIGURES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, April 19.

Attacking the world's swimming records for short distances (free style) to-day, Jean Tardieu, the French champion, set up new marks for the 400 metres, which he completed in 4 mins. 47 1/10ths seconds, and the 300 metres, which he swam in 3 mins. 33 4/10ths seconds.

Tardieu clipped 3 9/10ths seconds off Arne Borg's record for the 400 metres, and 1 1/10th of a second off the 300 metre record.

WATER-SPEED RECORD.

GAR WOOD FAILS BY A MILE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Miami, April 19.

The American racing motorist, Commodore Gar Wood, made six successive attempts to-day to beat Kaye Don's motor boat record, but failed by nearly a mile.

He had engine trouble.

SIR M. CAMPBELL'S NEW
QUEST.ATTACK ON SMALL CAR
RECORD.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 19.

Sir Malcolm Campbell, holder of the world's land speed record, will drive a new seven h.p. Austin of novel design in a fresh attempt on the record for small cars this year.

He created a small car record with a Baby Austin at 94 miles an hour after capturing the all-car record of 247 m.p.h. in his high-powered Bluebird car at Dayton.

The Queen Chooses Prince George's
Home.

Prince George, youngest son of the King and Queen, is to have his own London house. For some time the Queen has been seeking a suitable residence for her son. The *Evening Standard* understands that she has now chosen No. 32, Green-street, Mayfair, W. for him. The Queen has paid several visits to the house, and it is understood that on the last occasion she expressed the view that her house-hunt could now come to an end. The house, built by the late Lord Ribblesdale, is owned by Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith, the airplane designer. It occupies a corner site a few yards off Park-lane and little more than a stone-throw from the Piccadilly home of the Duke and Duchess of York.

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.

ANTUNG.

Antung, B. & S., April 20.
Haining, Douglas, April 21.
Haining, B. & S., April 22.
Haining, Douglas, April 23.
Sirdhana, B.I., April 24.
Suisang, Jardine's, April 25.
Tjaisoon, J.C.J.L., April 25.
Anhui, B. & S., April 27.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 3.
Talaia, B.I., May 6.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 19.
Santhin, B.I., May 24.

ANTWERP.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Java, Manners, May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Changte, B. & S., April 22.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nollor, E. & A., May 1.
Taiping, B. & S., May 19.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Tanda, E. & A., May 30.

BALTIMORE.

Selanda, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Java, Manners, May 23.

BALTIMORE.

Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.

BANGKOK.

Kilgan, B. & S., April 19.
Liangchow, B. & S., April 21.
Kwangtung, B. & S., April 23.

BARCELONA.

Burgenland, Johnson, April 22.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

BELAWAN-DELI.

Van Houtz, J.C.J.L., April 23.

BOMBAY.

Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., April 30.
Kiddopore, P. & O., May 5.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 11.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.

BOSTON.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

BREMEN.

Franken, Melchers, April 26.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

BRINDISI.

Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.

CALCUTTA.

Talpa, B.I., April 18.
Yusung, Jardine's, April 21.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Takada, B.I., May 8.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 8.
Nagata Maru, N.Y.K., May 8.
Sirdhana, B.I., May 13.
Suisang, Jardine's, May 13.
Tilawa, B.I., May 27.

CASABLANCA.

Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.

CHEFOO.

Kuichow, B. & S., April 21.
Huichow, B. & S., May 1.

COLOMBO.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., April 30.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 3.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Kiddopore, P. & O., May 5.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Java, Manners, May 11.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 30.

COPENHAGEN.

Selanda, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Java, Manners, May 23.

DALNY.

Ichang, B. & S., April 22.
Rupel, B. & S., April 27.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 2.

DUTCH PORTS.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Solandia, Manners, April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgenland, Johnson, April 22.
Franken, Melchers, April 26.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 3.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Vogtland, Johnson, May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Johnson, May 23.
Java, Manners, May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 30.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, April 21.
Haining, Douglas, April 24.
Chipsing, Jardine's, April 24.
Huichow, B. & S., May 1.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, May 10.

GENOA.

Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Burgenland, Johnson, April 22.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Vogtland, Johnson, May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
Tokyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 16.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Duisburg, Johnson, May 23.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

GLASGOW.

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Liangchow, B. & S., April 21.
Kuangchow, B. & S., April 24.
Kingsuan, B. & S., May 8.
HAMBURG.
Selandia, Manners, April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgenland, Johnson, April 22.
Franken, Melchers, April 26.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 3.
Vogtland, Johnson, May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Johnson, May 23.
Java, Manners, May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 30.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

HAYRE.

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

HONOLULU.

Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Tritsuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., April 18.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Elpenor, B.F., April 19.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Pros. Jefferson, A.M.L., April 19.
Trave, Melchers, April 19.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Memnon, B.F., April 20.
Tushima Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 21.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Comorin, P. & O., April 24.
Sirdhana, B.I., April 24.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 25.
Suisang, Jardine's, April 25.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Duisburg, Johnson, April 26.
Anchises, B.F., April 27.
Femang Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Sphinx, M.M., April 27.
Tokima Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Alipore, P. & O., April 28.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 28.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 28.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., April 29.
Tritsuta, Johnson, April 29.
Sumatra, Gilman's, May 2.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Tundara, B.F., May 2.
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, May 4.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 4.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., May 8.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 8.
Kashmir, P. & O., May 8.
Menestheus, B.F., May 8.
Tanda, E. & A., May 8.
Tilawa, B.I., May 8.
Havelland, Johnson, May 9.
Porthos, M.M., May 11.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Mosel, Melchers, May 15.
Diomed, B.F., May 18.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 10.
Nagata, Gilman's, May 22.
Ranpura, P. & O., May 22.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 23.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Santhin, B.I., May 24.
Burgenland, Johnson, May 24.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 25.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 25.
Gange, Dodwell's, May 27.

JAVA PORTS.

Tjialak, J.C.J.L., April 21.
Tjihadak, J.C.J.L., April 23.
Tjilobak, J.C.J.L., May 5.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 12.
Tjiasroca, J.C.J.L., May 19.

LIEBON.

Trior, Melchers, May 30.

LIVERPOOL.

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Tokyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

LONDON.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 3.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 30.

LOS ANGELES.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 22.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.

MANILA.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 18.

Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 21.
Changte, B. & S., April 22.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Pros. Lincoln, Dollar, April 23.
Tjihadak, J.C.J.L., April 23.
Nollor, E. & A., May 1.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 3.
Pros. Madison, A.M.L., May 9.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 12.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 17.
Taiping, B. & S., May 19.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Tanda, E. & A., May 30.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.

MARSEILLES.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Franken, Melchers, April 26.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Vogtland, Johnson, May 9.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Tokyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Sphinx, M.M., May 26.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.

MARSILLES.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 22.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.

MARSILLES.

Selandia, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
Java, Manners, May 23.

NAPLES.

Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 22.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.

NEWCHWANG.

Ichang, B. & S., April 22.
Rupel, B. & S., April 27.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.

Trave, Melchers, April 19.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 2.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Trior, Melchers, May 30.
Mosel, Melchers, May 15.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

PAKHOL.

Kuangchow, B. & S., April 24.
Kingsuan, B. & S., May 8.

PANAMA.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 22.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.

PENANG.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Talpa, B.I., April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Van Houtz, J.C.J.L., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 3.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Kiddopore, P. & O., May 5.
Takada, B.I., May 8.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 8.
Nagata Maru, N.Y.K., May 8.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 11.
Anchises, B.F., May 12.
Sirdhana, B.I., May 13.
Suisang, Jardine's, May 13.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Tilawa, B.I., May 27.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenluce, Jardine's, May 30.

PORT SAID.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilana, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Selandia, Manners, April 20.
Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Tokyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Sphinx, M.M., May 26.
Java, Manners, May 23.
Buridan, P. & O., May 30.

RABAT.

Nollor, E. & A., May 1.
Bromhaven, Melchers, May 6.
Tanda, E. & A., May 30.

RANGOON.

Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Nagata Maru, N.Y.K., May 8.

SAIGON.

Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Sphinx, M.M., May 26.

SANDAKAN.

Mausang, Jardine's, May 1.
Hinsang, Jardine's, May 13.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pros. Grant, A.M.L., April 22.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Selandia, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
Java, Manners, May 23.

SEATTLE.

Pros. Jefferson, A.M.L., April 19.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 21.
Tyndara, B.F., May 2.
Pros. Lincoln, Dollar, May 3.
Pros. Madison, A.M.L., May 9.
Protoclaus, B.F., May 23.

SHANGHAI.

Buridan, P. & O., April 18.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Elpenor, B.F., April 19.
Kwangtung, Jardine's, April 19.
Pros. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Pros. Jefferson, A.M.L., April 19.
Soochow, B. & S., April 19.
Trave, Melchers, April 19.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Memnon, B.F., April 20.
Tushima Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 21.
Hosang, Jardine's, April 22.
Ichang, B. & S., April 22.
Tayuan, B. & S., April 22.
Comorin, P. & O., April 24.
Kingsuan, B. & S., April 24.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 25.
Suisang, Jardine's, April 25.
Tjiasroca, J.C.J.L., April 25.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Duisburg, Johnson, April 26.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s
STEAMER "BURDWAN"

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON
16th APRIL, 1931.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR,
TAR, MARSEILLES, MALTA,
PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO
AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed
and placed at risk in the Hong Kong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where
each Consignment will be sorted out
Mark by Mark and Delivery can be
obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here
unless instructions have been given to
the contrary Six hours before arrival of
the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, in-
cluding date of arrival, will be subject to
Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signee, and the Company's Surveyors,
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 A.M.
on Mondays and Thursdays, within the
Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 6th May, 1931, or they will
not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown.

MAKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 16th April, 1931. [620]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel
"LYNDAREUS"

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER
AND VICTORIA VIA JAPAN

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Vessel is ready to discharge and are
herby notified that if their Lighters are
not required, their Shipments will be
discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, at
their expense, where the Cargo will
lie also at their risk and expense and
subject to the Terms and Conditions of
Storage at Holt's Wharf. Vessel will
commence Discharge on 16th April.

General Cargo will be discharged into
Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie
at Consignee's risk and subject to the
Terms and Conditions of Storage at
Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready
for Delivery from the Godown on and
after 16th April.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on any Tuesdays
and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M.
and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and
all General Cargo remaining undelivered
after 22nd April will be subject to
Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 6th May, or they will not be
recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

16th April, 1931. [618]

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "GENERAL METZINGER."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON
MONDAY, THE 13th APRIL, 1931.

FROM MARSEILLES, &c.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the
above-named Steamer are hereby
informed that their Goods with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Valu-
ables are being landed and placed at
their risk in the Godowns of the Hong
Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery can
be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days, in-
cluding date of arrival, will be subject to
Rent.

All Claims must be sent to the Under-
writer before Wednesday, the 22nd Apr.,
1931, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signee and the Company's Sur-
veyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at
10 A.M. on Monday, the 26th April,
1931.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 13th April, 1931. [610]

CHINA HOMEWARD
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FREIGHT TARIFF No. 12.

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Ginger in cases—
per ton of 40 c. ft. ... 41/-Net 45/-

Lard in tins—
per ton of 40 c. ft. ... 41/-Net 45/-

Hong Kong, 18th April, 1931. [626]

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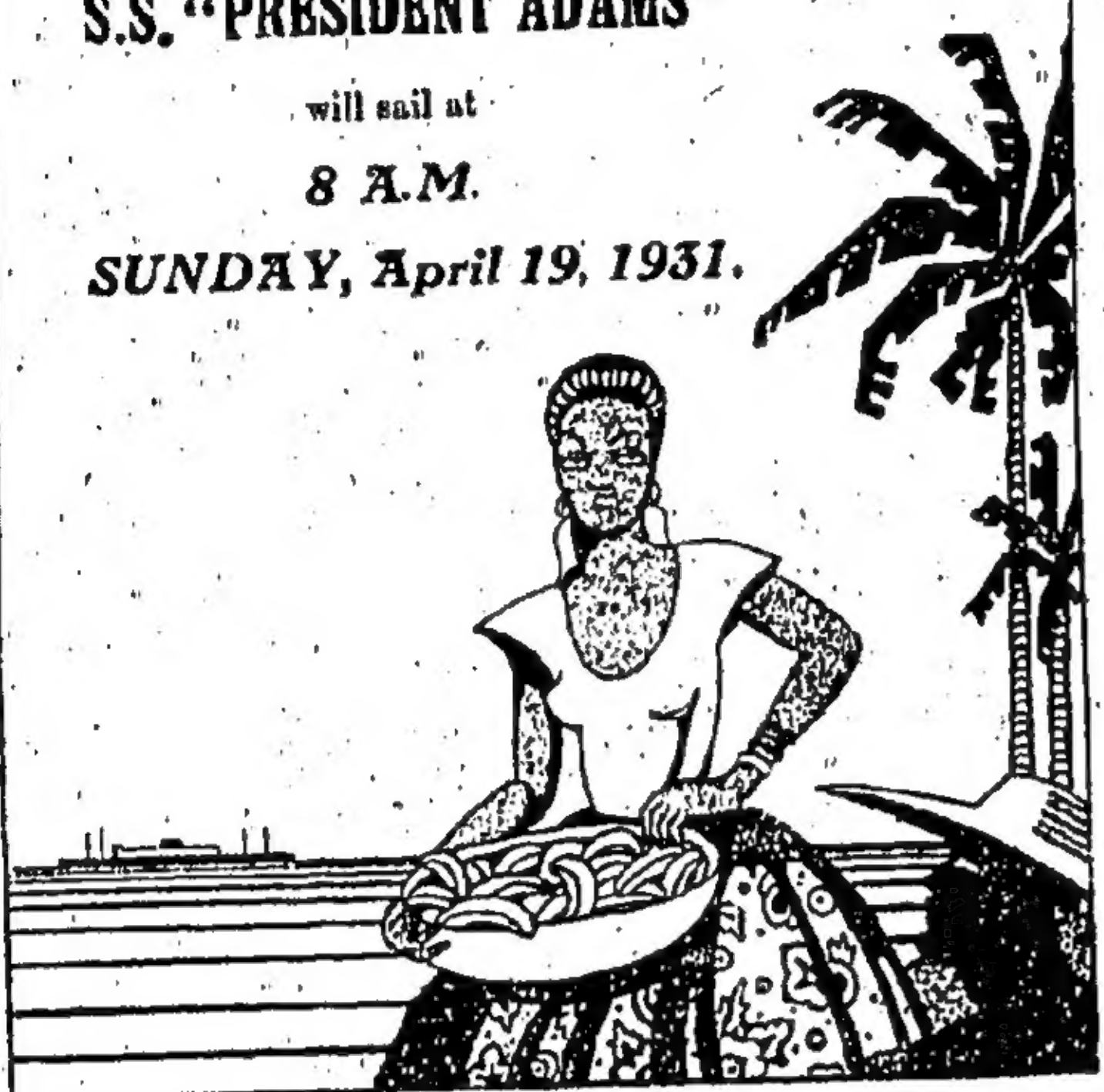
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VESSEL	DESTINATION.	LEAVING HONG KONG.
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M.V. "HAVELAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	20 Apr.
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U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Adams ...	18th April
DAIREN and AMOI ...	Tsichak ...	18th April
SHANGHAI and AMOI ...	Tai Yuen ...	18th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	Taiyo Maru ...	20th April
HAI (San Francisco, 24th Mar.) ...	Pres. Grant ...	20th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	Sirihana ...	22nd April
HAI (San Francisco, 27th Mar.) ...	Van Heuts ...	22nd April
STRAITS ...	Tsichak ...	22nd April
AMOI and SHANGHAI ...	Cowarin ...	23rd April
JAVA and MANILA ...	Ohichibu Maru ...	24th April
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, 26th Mar., and Parcel, 19th March) ...	Pres. Lina ...	24th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	Ramo Maru ...	24th April
HAI (San Francisco, 2nd April) ...	Emp. of Russia ...	30th April
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Harrison ...	2nd May
(Seattle, 4th April) ...	Pres. Cleveland ...	4th May
JAPAN ...		
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...		
(Vancouver, B.C., 12th Apr.) ...		
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...		
HAI (San Francisco, 3rd April) ...		
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI ...		
HAI (San Francisco, 10th April) ...		

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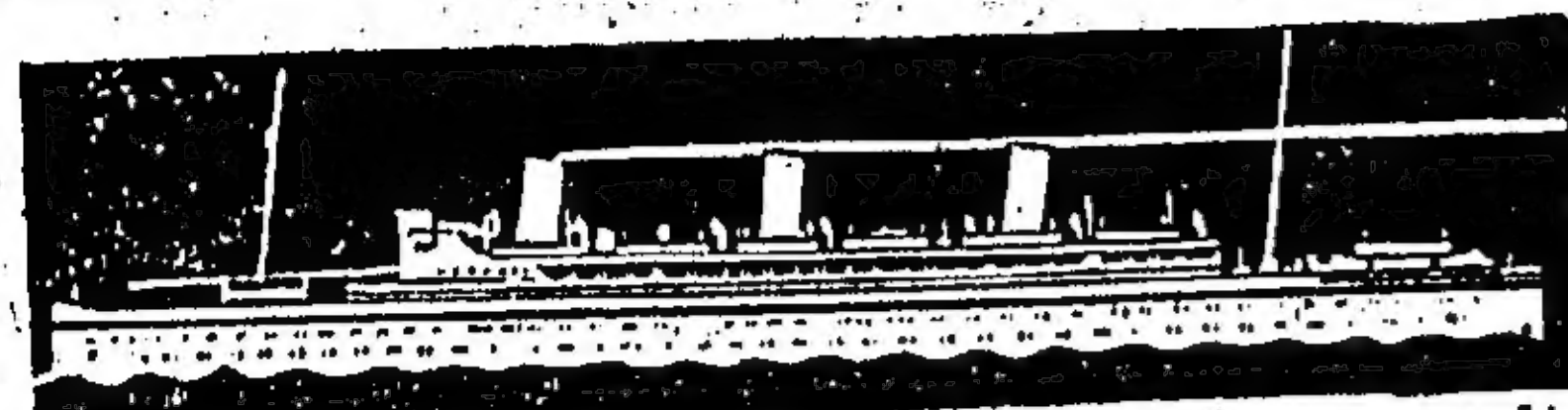
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FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
Fort Payard ...	Wing Lee ...	Saturday, 18th, 2.20 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and South America and EUROPE via Victoria, B.O.—due Victoria, B.O., 5th May, and EUROPE via Siberia ...	Pres. Jefferson ...	Parcels 3.0 p.m. Jax, 4.15 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.
Manila ...	Emp. of Canada ...	3.30 p.m.
Seigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden and Egypt ...	Patru ...	4.00 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow ...	Nippon ...	Sunday, 19th, 9.00 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	Honan Maru ...	9.00 a.m.
Manila ...	Pres. Adams ...	9.00 p.m.
Straits ...	Teiresias ...	Monday, 20th, 2.20 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy ...	Antung ...	2.20 p.m.
Swatow ...	Chyungkuang ...	3.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and EUROPE via Van- couver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 11th May and EUROPE via Siberia ...	Heian Maru ...	Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 p.m.
Hohow and Bangkok ...	Langchow ...	10.00 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta ...	Yuensang ...	Parcels Noon. Letters 2.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Kowloon ...	Asiatic ...	2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Mar- seilles, 22nd May ...	Bopang ...	5.00 p.m.
Japan and South American Ports ...	Bukuro Maru ...	Wednesday, 22nd, 10.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 2nd May ...	Chungta ...	Parcels 11.00 a.m. Letters 11.45 a.m.
Amoy ...	Taiwan ...	2.30 p.m.
Straits ...	Van Heuts ...	Thursday, 23rd, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Focchow ...	Buigang ...	Friday, 24th, 1.00 p.m.
Amoy ...	Cui Sun ...	5.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Mar- seilles, 22nd May ...	Raipulana ...	Parcels 4.30 p.m. Reg. 25th, 9.00 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 6th May ...	Kamo Maru ...	Reg. 26th, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 p.m.
		Saturday, 25th, 10.30 a.m.
		Reg. 26th, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 p.m.
		— MAY — Friday, 1st, 10.30 a.m.

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TOYOOKA MARU... Friday, 16th May
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 11,000 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO 16,500 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Cargo for Through H.K. Ports.

British Tyndareus, Osaka 1,085 —

Rurdwan, Singapore 1,000 2,000

Hong Peng, Singapore 450 1,920

Soochow, Swatow 560 600

Kanchow, Canton — 350

Borneo, Saigon 2,365 —

American, 8,490 — 4,200

Lellingham, Catabaynan — 2,060

Norwegian, 2,080

Talleyrand, Manila 1,216 6,447

Hiro, Keelung 1,700 —

Portuguese, 2,010 — 6,447

Wing Lee, Macao 400 —

Japanese, 400 —

Ryuhon Maru, Dairen 2,564 2,010

Nitto Maru, Canton — 231

Hayama Maru, Sea 50 —

Chinese, 2,014 — 2,241

Shun Lee, Chefoo 436 1,424

Tak Hing, Autow —

2 441 — 1,424

Total 11,851 10,452

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	6	9
American	1	1
Norwegian	2	1
Portuguese	1	1
Japanese	3	0
Chinese	2	2
German	0	1
Swedish	0	1
Dutch	0	1
Total	15	25

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Hong Peng (Br.) Rangoon,	1,215
Soochow (Br.) Tsingtau,	145
Swatow	145
Borneo (Br.) Saigon	190
Total	1,695

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:—
Wharves:—Kowloon: Haruna Maru, Kamsang, Burudwan, Talleyrand; Holt's: Changte.

Buoys:—A5 Tyndareus, A9 Tji-badak, A14 Hong Peng, B2 Kwong Sang, B8 Dovikon, B9 Huichow; B14 Kaigan, B17 Shun Lee, B18 Wing Lee, B19 Borneo, B20 Chih-hua, B23 Ryuhon Maru, B24 Ryujin Maru, C1 Haro, C2 Hydra II, C3 Proteus, C4 Haidie, C5 Helios, C7 Hayama Maru.

CLEARANCES.

April 17.

Rurdwan, for Shanghai.
Haiching, for Swatow.
Hakozaki Maru, for Singapore.
Haruna Maru, for Shanghai.
Katsura Maru, for Bataui Pahat.
Kueichow, for Canton.
Kamsang, for Amoy.
Nitto Maru, for Keelung.
Shun Lee, for Canton.
Szechuen, for Swatow.
Ryuhon Maru, for Canton.
Ryui Maru, for Singapore.

The B.I. s.s. Sirdhana left Singapore for this port on the 16th instant and is due here on the 22nd instant.

The B.I. s.s. Talma left Amoy for this port on the 17th instant and is due here to-day.

ARRIVALS.

April 16.

Aniston City, American str., 3,460 tons, Capt. R. V. Tillett, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7.—Bank Line.

Ryuhon Maru, Japanese str., 1,091 tons, Capt. O. Ezawa, from Dairen, buoy No. B23.—D.K.K.

Talleyrand, Norwegian str., 9,750 tons, Capt. Harald Berg, from Oslo and Norway, Kowloon Wharf.—Thoresen & Co.

April 17.

Emp. of Canada, British str., 21,510 tons, Capt. A. J. Hailey, R.N.R., from Vancouver, Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.S.

Hakozaki Maru, Japanese str., 6,310 tons, Capt. K. Ogawa, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—N.Y.K.

Haruna Maru, Japanese str., 10,490 tons, Capt. S. Umamoto, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Kamsang, British str., 5,447 tons, Captain J. H. Ferguson, from Calcutta and Straits, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Kwongsang, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. A. B. Osmond, from Canton, buoy No. B2.—J. M. & Co.

Shun Lee, Chinese str., 949 tons, Capt. B. Miyonaka, from Chefoo, buoy No. B17.—Yee Tai Hong.

Szechuen, British str., 1,504 tons, Capt. C. E. Fisher, from Canton, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.



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"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	25th Apr. Noon	Marseilles and London.
"SUDAN"	16,568	2nd May [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KIDDERPORE"	5,354	5th May	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"KALYAN"	9,144	5th May	Mars., L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"COMORIN"	10,122	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"BURDWAN"	8,955	30th May [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KASHMIR"	18,601	5th June	Mars., L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KASHMIR"	9,103	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	4th July	Mars., L'don, B'dm & A'warp
"PERIM"	7,645	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	25th July	Marseilles and London.
"SOMALI"	16,568	1st Aug.	Mars., L'don, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	8th Aug. [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KASHMIR"	9,114	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"CATHAY"	16,121	22nd Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"SUDAN"	16,568	19th Sept. [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KALYAN"	9,144	26th Sept.	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	10th Oct.	do.
"BURDWAN"	8,955	17th Oct. [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, H'g, B'dm & A'warp
"KASHMIR"	16,568	24th Oct.	Marseilles and London.
"NALLERA"	16,568	7th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	21st Nov.	Marseilles and London.

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"TAKADA"	9,949	8th May	do.
"BIRDHANA"	7,745	13th May	do.
"TILAWA"	10,008	27th May	do.
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Steamship	Tons	18th Apr. 6 a.m.	Destination
"BURDWAN"	8,955	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"BIRDHANA"	7,745	24th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"COMORIN"	10,122	24th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ALIPORE"	6,273	28th Apr.	Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,008	8th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	8th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	9,949	8th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	22nd May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	24th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"SANTHA"	7,754	5th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	8th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"PERIM"	7,645	10th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	18th June	do.
"SOMALI"	16,568	27th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	3rd July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NELLORE"	8,888	6th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	17th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	31st July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SUDAN"	16,568	8th Aug.	do.
"CATHAY"	16,121	14th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	28th Aug.	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	11th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	25th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NALLERA"	16,568	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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